

Gc
929.2
W67115c
1724181

REYNOLDS HISTORICAL
GENEALOGY COLLECTION

✓

CC
ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY



3 1833 01433 9920

C.C.C. 840
JOHN HOOKER WILLIAMS

His Ancestors
and
Descendants

As Compiled by
His Granddaughter
Elizabeth Carol Cass

Ohio, Illinois

Contents 1724181

	PAGE
Foreward.....	4
John Hooker Williams.....	5
Williams Line #1.....	6
Parke Line.....	13
Stoddard Line.....	15
Warham Line.....	17
Porter Line - Allgar-White.....	19
Stanley Line #1.....	23
Cooke Line - Westwood.....	25
Williams Line #2.....	27
Cotton Line.....	29
Bradstreet Line.....	31
Dudley Line.....	33
Chester Line.....	34
Welles Line - Tomes.....	37
Treat Line - Coleman.....	39
Hooker Line.....	42
Willet Line - Brown.....	48
Standley Line #2.....	51
Fletcher Line.....	53
Hart Line - Hawkins.....	54
Thompson Line.....	57
Steele Line.....	59
Worthington Line.....	61
Pratt Line - Jones.....	63
Clark Line.....	66
Hammer Line.....	67
Samuel Eliphalet Williams.....	69
Minerva Hooker Williams Cass.....	71
Hattie Pearl Williams Lorentz.....	74
Fannie Gertrude Williams McDonald.....	76
Leanna Vivian Williams Daniels.....	77
Society of Colonial Wars.....	79
Summary.....	80
Charlemagne Line #1.....	81
Charlemagne Line #2.....	84
Alfred the Great Line #1.....	86
Alfred the Great Line #2.....	89
Sveide the Viking.....	90
Additional Data.....	92
References.....	94

Foreword

Perhaps a few words should be said about the double dating, such as January 25, 1668/9.

In the twelfth century, the 25th of March became New Year's Day, and this continued until 1753, when the legal year was ordered to begin January 1. So John Doe, born on the above date, would have been born in the latter part of the year 1668, old style, or at the beginning of the year 1669, according to the new style of dating.

Among the early English records, we find frequent use of the prefix "Fitz" as a part of the surnames.

Webster, in his unabridged dictionary explains that the prefix is indicative of illegitimacy, to a large extent. However, it appears to me to be used as the suffix "son" is used by Scandinavians, merely to indicate "son of" or "daughter of". Thus we find John FitzGeoffrey, who would have been the son of Geoffrey -; Isabel Fitzjohn, the daughter of John FitzGeoffrey, etc.

I have found lines of descent from English, French, Spanish, and other royalty, as well as from many of the Magna Charta Barons. However, on my last visit to Newberry Library in Chicago, I was told by a high ranking genealogist and compiler of genealogies that in most instances, these lines had been disproved.

I had found royal and baronial lines to Mary (Downing) Stoddard, P.15; Rev. John Cotton, P.30; Gov. Thomas Dudley and his wife, Dorothy Yorke, P.33; and Alice (Tomes) Welles, P.37. This genealogist told me that possibly the Cotton line might be correct, but that the others had been found to be incorrect. Dorothy Yorke Dudley is definitely said to be of royal and baronial descent, but I cannot say how.

Consequently, I will not show the ancestry of any of these except that of Rev. Cotton; and I will not vouch for that.

"C" is from Latin "circum" of "circa" meaning "about". So 1610 is about 1610.

I hope that the readers of this history will enjoy reading it as much as I have enjoyed the research. I likewise hope they will find it easier to read than I found it to compile satisfactorily.

Elizabeth Carol Cuss

Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2019

<https://archive.org/details/johnhookerwillia00cass>

John Hooker Williams

Grandfather Williams was a man of medium build, with blue eyes, a complete but thinning head of gray hair, and a mustache and beard kept fairly short.

He was a quiet, unassuming man; a great reader, especially enjoying poetry. He retained his New England accent, we children finding his "hoss", "taown", "daown", etc., very funny.

He was an early riser and took charge, in his later years, of the garden wherever he chanced to be. And woe betide the youngster who dare to pull a radish or pick a tomato before he said the word.

He enjoyed fishing - if he caught any fish - and spent many a summer afternoon on the banks of Big Bureau. On one occasion, he and some of the grandsons were fishing - at least the boys were pulling out the fish to a satisfying degree - but Grandfather was having no luck whatever, and he was becoming decidedly irked. Suddenly he pulled out a big cat. Removing it from the hook, he picked up his pole, challenged the boys with, "Beat that if you can" and stalked to the house.

He played an occasional game of cards and enjoyed croquet. His chief vice was chewing tobacco.

He was a kindly man, yet he was often impatient with the children, glaring at them when they became too boisterous.

He is said to have been as good a cook as many a woman, and all his friends wanted "Uncle John's" recipe for corn bread.

A member of the Congregational Church at Northampton, he joined the Methodist Church at North Prairie and remained a member thereof as long as the church functioned.

Williams' Line #1

Robert Williams m.
Stephen Williams m. Margaret Cooke
ROBERT WILLIAMS m. ELIZABETH STALHAM
Isaac Williams m. Martha Parke
Rev. William Williams m. Christian Stoddard
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Porter
Rev. Eliphalet Williams m. Mary Williams
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Hooker
Samuel Williams m. Mary H. Kirkland
John Hooker Williams m. Elizabeth Hannah Hammer

The earliest progenitor, in the male line, of the family of Robert Williams of Roxbury (so far as is known) from whom there is continuity of recorded descent is Robert Williams, a well-to-do "husbandman" of West Somerton, Norfolk, who was Churchwarden there in 1600 and 1602. As a Churchwarden was then not only charged with the responsibility of keeping the parish accounts and of the property of the Church, but also with a certain supervision of the behavior and orthodoxy of the laity and clergy alike, his was a position demanding some discretion and ability. Duplicate bills of the parish, sent to the Bishop of Norwich, bear his signature, but the original records appear to have been destroyed. He died prior to 28th March 1609, when his will was proved and recorded. He was well-to-do, possessing houses and land which he willed to his daughter and son-in-law, in reversal of the usual custom, with the provision that they pay his son, Stephen Williams, or his assign, the sum of twelve pounds, ten shillings. This seems a petty amount, but compared with the then commodity value of money, the bequest becomes of greater importance. That the property was willed to the daughter, not to the son, was not due to unfriendly relations between father and son for Stephen named his first son after his father. (a)

From this will, then, we learn that Robert Williams had at least two children:

1. Bridget, who married John Russe
2. STEPHEN

Nothing is known as to when or where Stephen Williams was born. In the Register of the Church of Saint Nicholas at Great Yarmouth, in Norfolk, has been found the record of his marriage to Margaret Cooke, on the 22nd September, 1605. She was the daughter of Nicholas and Winifred (Webster) Cooke of North Repps, Norfolk. Further records in this same register are the baptisms of these children;(b)

1. ROBERT, 11th December, 1608
2. Nicholas, 11th August, 1616; d. Roxbury, Mass. 1692
3. John, 2nd February, 1618
4. Francis, 10th June, 1621

A writer in the "Boston Transcript" of 9th April, 1906, adds

5. Anne, born in 1606
6. Thomas, died of the plague in 1625
7. Margaret, living in 1623

This same writer adds that Stephen, his wife, and son Thomas all died of the plague in 1625, and were buried within a few days of each other.

No record has been found of the marriage of Robert Williams and Elizabeth Stalham. It is believed to have occurred before 1630.

Elizabeth Stalham was the daughter of John Stalham and his wife Alicia Gibson of St. George, Tombland, Norwich, Norfolk, according to the Boston Transcript writer. She was the granddaughter of Christopher Stalham and his wife Joan Drake. According to tradition, Elizabeth was "of good family and had been delicately reared; and when her husband desired to come to America, though a truly religious woman, she dreaded the undertaking and shrank from the hardships to be endured. While the subject was still under discussion, she had a dream foreshadowing that if she went to America, she would become the mother of a long line of worthy ministers of the Gospel. The dream so impressed her that at once she rose up cheerfully and began to prepare to leave her home and kindred for the new and distant land." How truly she dreamed is shown by the fact that at least twenty descendants bearing the name of Williams became ministers, while nearly as many more female descendants married ministers. (These are named by Harrison Williams in his history of the family, which in general follows through only the first five generations). How many more, bearing names other than Williams, became ministers would be impossible to even guess. (c)

Robert Williams and his family sailed on the "Rose" of Yarmouth April 15th, 1637, and reached Boston "three days before midsummer". They appear to have gone directly to Roxbury. Here Robert became a landowner and one of the rulers of the town. He was one of the founders of Roxbury's first seat of learning, the famous "Free Schoole in Roxbury." He held many town offices and was a member of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery of Boston. He was admitted as "freeman" - that is, as fully qualified citizen and voter - on the 2nd of May, 1638. (d)

Elizabeth Williams died, according to the Church record, 5 m.27. With the year in those days beginning in March, the fifth month would have been in July, so it would seem that she died July 27, 1674. A little over a year later, Robert married "Widow Fering." She died in 1690, and tradition - never proved - has it that he married a third time. Robert died on the 1st of September, 1704 at the age of 92. (e)

Robert and Elizabeth were the parents of: (f)

1. Samuel, b. in England in 1632; m. Theoda Parke; and d. 28th of September, 1698.
2. John, b. in England; d. Roxbury, 1658.
3. Elizabeth, b. in England; m. ----- Robinson.
4. Deborah, b. in England; m. John Turner; d. 1676.
5. ISAAC
6. Stephen, b. November 8, 1640; m. Sarah Wise; d. May 15, 1720.
7. Thomas, thought to have died young.

Isaac Williams, b. September 1, 1638 at Roxbury, married March 2nd, 1660 Martha, daughter of William and Martha (Holgrave) Parke. Isaac and his bride settled at Cambridge-Village (later Newton) on the 500 acre farm given them by Martha's father; and in the years to come, Isaac became a very prominent and influential resident of the town. With his wife, he became a very early member of the first church of the town, of which he later became a deacon. He was Captain of a troop of horse; Selectman of the town; Deputy to the General Court; and one of the town's 1st school committee. Through his military service to the colony, his descendants are eligible to membership in the Society of the Colonial Wars. (g)

Martha Williams died October 24th, 1676, at the age of 38, having been the mother of nine children. In November, 1677 Isaac married Judith Cooper. By her he had two sons and two daughters.

Capt. Isaac Williams died February 11th, 1707, survived by at least eight of his children: (h)

1. Isaac, b. 1660; died 1661
2. Isaac, b. 1661; m. (1) Elizabeth Hyde; m. (2) Widow Mary Hammond; m. (3) Hannah --- ; d. 1739
3. Martha, b. 1663; m. John Hunt; d. 1701.
4. WILLIAM
5. John, b. 1667; m. Martha Wheeler; d. 1702
6. Eleazor, b. 1669; m. Mary Hyde; d. 1725
7. Hannah, b. 1671; twin; m. John Hyde; d. 1739
8. Elizabeth, b. 1671, twin; m. Jonathan Hyde; d. 1743
9. Thomas, b. 1673
10. Peter, b. 1680; d. 1732
11. Sarah, b. 1688, twin; m. (1) John Marsh; m. (2) James Grey; d. 1759
12. Mary, b. 1688, twin; m. Joseph Hyde; d. 1749
13. Ephraim, b. 1691; m. (1) Elizabeth Jackson; m. (2) Abigail Jones; d. 1754

Isaac and Mary married brother and sister; Eleazor, probably m. a half-sister; Hannah and Elizabeth married brothers. Whether they were or were not cousins of the other Hydes, I do not know.

Rev. William Williams, one of the outstanding ministers of his day, was born at Newton, February 2, 1665. He graduated from Harvard College at the early age of eighteen, and was "settled over the church at Hatfield, Massachusetts in 1685, before he had reached the age of 21 years. There he continued labouring with great zeal and exerting great influence until death put an end to both his ministry and his life, August 29, 1741, a period of over 55 years.

He married (1) Elizabeth Cotton. She died in 1698 and he married in 1699 Christian Stoddard, who survived him. (i)

Five children were born of the first marriage, four of the second:

1. William, b. 1687; d. 1687 (j)
2. William, b. 1688; m. (1) Hannah Stoddard; m. (2) Widow Sarah Stone; d. 1760
3. Martha, b. 1690; m. Edward Partridge
4. ELISHA (See Williams Line #2)
5. John, b. 1697; d. 1697
6. SOLOMON

7. Elizabeth, b. 1707; m. Samuel Barnard; d. 1753
8. Israel, b. 1709; m. Sarah Chester; d. 1789
9. Dorothy, b. 1713; m. Rev. Jonathan Ashley; d. 1808

Rev. Solomon Williams, born January 4, 1701 at Hatfield, died February 28, 1776 at Lebanon, Connecticut. A graduate of Harvard, he was ordained at Lebanon in 1722. In 1773, Yale conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He was in his 54th year of service at Lebanon at the time of his death. He was an ardent patriot and by voice and pen did much to encourage the people at home as well as abroad with ardor and courage for the struggle for their independence. (j) His son William was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Female descendants of Rev. Williams are eligible to membership in the D.A.R. He married in 1723, Mary Porter of Hadley. (k) Their children were: (1)

1. Solomon, b. 1723; d. 1723
2. Solomon, b. 1725; d. 1743
3. ELIPHALET
4. Ezekiel, b. 1729; m. Prudence Stoddard
5. William, b. 1731; m. Mary Trumbull; d. 1811
6. Mary, b. 1733; m. Rev. Richard Salter; d. 1794
7. Thomas, b. 1735; m. Rebecca Welles; d. 1819
8. Christian, b. 1738; m. John Salter
9. Moses, b. 1740; d. 1750
10. Samuel, b. 1741; d. 1742
11. Eunice, b. 1745; m. Rev. Timothy Stone; d. 1836

Rev. Eliphalet Williams, born 25th February, 1727 at Lebanon, died 29th June, 1803. He was a graduate of Yale in 1743; was a member of the corporation of Yale College for more than 30 years, and received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from that institution in 1782. He served as pastor at East Hartford from March 1748 until his death in 1803, a period of 55 years. He married in 1751 Mary Williams of Wethersfield, Connecticut, his half-cousin. (See Williams Line #2) She died in 1776, and he married a year later, Mrs. Sarah Parsons, his third cousin, a descendant of Samuel Williams, oldest son of Robert Williams. There were five children of the first, two of the second marriage: (m & n)

1. SOLOMON
2. Elisha, b. 1757

3. Anne, b. 1759
4. Edward, b. 1762
5. Mary, b. 1765
6. Fanny Leonard, b. 1781
7. Abigail, b. 1783

I have no data other than as above, for any except

Rev. Solomon Williams, born July 13, 1752 at East Hartford, died at Northampton, Massachusetts, November 9th, 1834. He graduated from Yale in 1770, tutored there 1773-1775; and settled at Northampton in 1779. Here he remained until his death, a period of 55 years. He married in 1779 Mary Hooker, who survived him by 7 years. (o)

He served as private in Capt. Throop's company; Colonel Huntington's regiment of Connecticut troops; consequently membership in the D. A. R. is possible through him. (p)

The inscription on his tombstone reads: "Solomon Williams, b. July 25, 1752, lived as pastor of the Church of Christ in Northampton 56 years and 5 months. His spirit ascended in sweet peace to the Upper Sanctuary on the morning of the Sabbath, Nov. 9, 1834." Note the discrepancies: East Hartford Town records give his birth as July 13. Possibly the earlier date was the birth date, the later one a baptismal date. Also, if he became pastor at Northampton in 1779, and died 1834, he would have served 55, not 56 years.

Solomon and Mary were the parents of Liffy, Solly, Julie, Molly, Jimmy, Johnny, Randy, Sammy, Fanny, and Sally; in other words: (q)

1. Eliphalet, b. 1780; m. Rebecca Phoenix; d. 1784
2. Solomon, b. 1782; m. Cynthia House;
3. Julia, b. 1784; d. 1849
4. Mary, b. 1785
5. James, b. 1788; m. Nancy Wright
6. John Hooker, b. 1790; m. Ellen Worth
7. Miranda, b. 1792; d. 1815
8. SAMUEL
9. Frances, b. 1796
10. Sarah, b. 1798; m. Rev. John Williams

Samuel Williams, born April 11, 1794 at Northampton, died October 26, 1861. He married in 1832, Mary H. Kirkland of Norwich - of whom I can find no trace. She died July 14, 1864, at

Mary Hyde Kirkland - 11 dau. Daniel & Betsy (Williams)

the age of 58, so the records of Northampton say. However, they give her birth as October 8, 1808, though from the census records of 1850, it would appear that she was born October 8, 1806. Samuel did not follow in the footsteps of his forbears, as he became a farmer. (r)

Samuel and Mary had the following children:

1. Rebecca Phoenix, b. 1833; m.
2. Elizabeth, b. 1834; m.
3. JOHN HOOKER
4. Mary Hooker, b. 1840; d. 1886

John Hooker Williams, born August 5, 1836 at Northampton, died May 10, 1912 at LaMoille, Illinois. In 1858, he left Massachusetts and came to Illinois, settling in Bureau County. He married October 1863, Hannah Hammer, born December 1, 1842 in Hanover Twp., Cook County, Illinois, just over the line from Elgin. She died March 8, 1888 at LaMoille. A farmer, Mr. Williams resided on various farms in Ohio and LaMoille Townships. In his later years, he made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Cass, at whose home he died, and with his son, Dr. Samuel. (s)

1. Samuel Eliphalet
2. Minerva Hooker
3. George, b. 1870; d. 1870
4. Arthur, b. 1872; d. 1879
5. Mary Lottie, b. 1875; d. 1877
6. Hattie Pearl
7. Fannie Gertrude
8. Leanna Vivian

Further data on the above will be found later.

References: a. Williams, p.13-14	m. Williams, p.126
b. " p.16	n. Records of
c. " p.18	East Hartford
d. " p.26-38	o. Hooker, p.120 #524
e. " p.42	p. D.A.R. Lineage 74,
f. " p.26,37	#73042
g. " p.92	q. Hooker, p.120
h. " p.93-98	r. " p.219 #1380
i. " p.93-96	s. Obituary, cemetery
j. " p.100-106	records, etc.
k. " p.103-104	
l. " p.126-130;135	

Parke Line

Robert Parke m. Martha Chaplin
WILLIAM PARKE M. MARTHA HOLGRAVE
Martha Parke m. Isaac Williams

Robert Parke, born c1580-1585, sailed from Cowes, Isle of Wight in 1630, with the Winthrop Fleet. During the voyage on the "Arabella", he was secretary to Governor Winthrop. He was at Wethersfield, Connecticut by 1640, and at Mystic, Connecticut in 1649. He died February 4th, 1664/5, and is buried in Whitehall Cemetery at Mystic. His wife, Martha Chaplin, was the daughter of Capt. Robert Chaplin and his wife Elizabeth Anstey, who was the daughter of Francis Anstey.

Robert and Martha Parke had at least two sons:

1. WILLIAM
2. Thomas

William Parke, baptized April 21, 1607 at Semer County, Suffolk, also came to New England in 1630. He was a passenger on the "Lion", on which Roger Williams was also a passenger. He settled at Roxbury; was one of the founders of the First Church, and for many years its deacon. He was Deputy to the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony for 33 years. He was frequently elected Selectman of the town, and held many other important positions. He was one of the first members of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company, and was one of Roxbury's most useful and honored citizens. At the time of his death, May 11, 1685, he was one of the wealthiest men in the town. He married about 1635, Martha, daughter of John and Elizabeth Holgrave. She was born about 1614 and died August 25, 1708.

William and Martha were the parents of:

1. Theoda, b. 1637; m. Samuel Williams; d. 1718
2. Hannah, b. 1639; d. 1655
3. MARTHA - See Williams Line
4. Sarah, b. 1643; d. 1644
5. John, b. 1645; d. 1646
6. Deborah, b. 1647; d. 1649
7. John, b. 1649; d. 1663
8. Deborah, b. 1651
9. Son, b. 1653; d. 1653 - twin

10. Daughter, 1653; d. 1653 - twin
11. William, b. 1654; d. as child
12. Hannah, b. 1658

References:

Williams, p. 89

Savage

Hartford Times of November 25, 1950

Stoddard Line

ANTHONY STODDARD m. MARY DOWNING
Rev. Solomon Stoddard m. Esther (Warham) Mather
Christian Stoddard m. Rev. William Williams
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Porter
Rev. Eliphalet Williams m. Mary Williams

Anthony Stoddard, place and date of birth unknown (to me), came to New England about 1639, settling at Boston. He married also about 1639, Mary, daughter of Hon. Emanuel and Anne (Ware) Downing. Emanuel Downing was born about 1594 at Ipswich, County Suffolk, and died in 1658. Anne Ware was the daughter of Sir James Ware, who was knighted by James I in 1616, and sent to Dublin as Secretary. (a)

Mary Downing Stoddard died in 1647 and Anthony married (2) Barbara (Clap) Weld, who died in 1655. A few months later, he married Christian --- and (4) in 1683, he married Mary (Symmes) Savage. (b)

Anthony Stoddard was a man of great influence. He was Constable and Recorder of Boston. This latter office he held in 1659 and 1660, and again in 1665, continuing for 19 years. He became freeman in May, 1640.

All references do not agree as to the children of Anthony Stoddard. There appear to have been 3 of the first marriage, possibly 4 of the second, and possibly 10 of the third. (a,c)

1. Benjamin, b. 1640
2. SOLOMON
3. Samson, b. 1645; d. 1690
4. Samuel, b. 1650;
5. Simeon, b. 1651; d. 1730; m. (1) Widow Elizabeth Shrimpton; m. (2) Widow Mehitable Seargent
6. Sarah, b. 1652
7. Stephen, b. 1654
8. Anthony, b. 1656
9. Christian, b. 1657; m. Nathaniel Peirse
10. Lydia, b. 1660; m. Capt. Samuel Turell
11. Joseph, b. 1661
12. John, b. 1663
13. Ebenezer, b. 1664
14. Dorothy, b. 1665
15. Mary, b. 1666

16. Jane, b. 1669 - twin
17. Grace, b. 1669 - twin

Rev. Solomon Stoddard, born October 4, 1643, died February 11, 1729 at Northampton, Massachusetts. He married March 8, 1670 Esther (Warham) Mather. He graduated from Harvard College in 1662, and became minister at Northampton in 1672; remaining there until his death. (a)

There were few ministers so eminent as Rev. Stoddard. He maintained that the Lord's Table should be accessible to all persons not immoral in their lives. (d)

The Stoddard family included 12 children:

1. Mary, b. 1671
2. Esther, b. 1672; d. 1770
3. Samuel, b. 1674; d. 1674
4. Anthony, b. 1675; d. 1675
5. Aaron, b. 1676; d. 1676 - twin
6. CHRISTIAN - twin
7. Anthony, b. 1678 d. 1760
8. Sarah, b. 1680
9. John, b. 1682; d. 1748
10. Israel, b. 1684; d. as a war prisoner in France
11. Rebecca, b. 1686; d. 1766
12. Hannah, b. 1688; d. 1743; m. William Williams

Christian Stoddard, born August 23, 1676, at Northampton, died April 23, 1764 at Hatfield. She married August 9, 1699, as his second wife, Rev. William Williams, pastor at Hatfield. For children, see Williams Line #1.

References:

- a. Stoddard; G & H #4847; Boston Transcript, Oct.9, '29
- b. Stoddard
- c. Stoddard; Savage
- d. History of Northampton

Warham Line

REV. JOHN WARHAM m. JANE (DUBINOTT) NEWBERRY
Esther (Warham) Mather m. Rev. Solomon Stoddard
Christian Stoddard m. Rev. William Williams
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Porter
Rev. Eliphalet Williams m. Mary Williams

Rev. John Warham, born about 1595, graduated from Oxford in 1614. He came to New England in 1630, and died at Windsor, Connecticut, April 1st, 1670. He married (2) about 1635 Jane Newberry, daughter of John Dubinott and widow of Thomas Newberry. He became a freeman May 18, 1631. (a)

Rev. Warham was one of two ministers who sailed, with a company of 140 persons, on the "Mary and John", embarking at Plymouth, in old Devon on the 20th of April, 1630. After a voyage of 71 days, they landed at Nantasket and thence found their way to a good pasture ground adjoining Boston, to which they gave the name Dorchester, in honor of the residence of their benefactor, the Rev. Mr. White, through whose exertion the company had been organized.

Here at Dorchester, Rev. Warham officiated until his removal, with the body of his church in 1635 or 6 to the Quinnituket (Connecticut) River. Dorchester did not suit these pioneers. So after a few years, the backbone of his congregation migrated to Windsor, Connecticut. In this group were the families of Thomas Ford, John Porter, Thomas Stanley, Aaron Cooke, and William Westwood. (b)

Trumbull says of the journey: "The journey from Massachusetts was made in about 14 days, the distance being more than 100 miles, and thru a trackless wilderness. They had no guide but their compasses, and they made their way over mountains, through swamps and thickets, and over rivers, which were not passable but with the greatest difficulty. They had no cover but the heavens, nor any lodgings but those which simple nature afforded them."

Rev. Warham and his wife were the parents of:

1. Abigail, b. 1638
2. Hepzibah, b. 1640; d. 1647
3. Sarah, b. 1642; d. 1678
4. ESTHER

Esther Warham, born December 8, 1644 at Windsor, died February 10th, 1736 at Northampton, Massachusetts. She married (1) Rev. Eleazer Mather, pastor at Northampton from 1658 until his death in 1669. A year later, she married Rev. Solomon Stoddard, who occupied the pulpit at Northampton from 1672 for over 56 years. For children, see "Stoddard Line". (c,d,e)

References:

- a. Savage
- b. Forty Acres
- c. Stoddard
- d. Williams
- e. History of Northampton

Porter Line

John Porter m. Sybil Vessey
JOHN PORTER m. ANNA WHITE
Samuel Porter m. Hannah Stanley
Samuel Porter m. Joanna Cooke
Mart Porter m. Rev. Solomon Williams
Rev. Eliphalet Williams m. Mary Williams
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Hooker

John Porter, yeoman of Felsted, Essex, England, married September 12, 1587 Sybil, daughter of Thomas Vessey of Little Bud-dow, Sussex. His will, dated May 30, 1623, was proved November 26, 1625. He had: (a)

1. Francis
2. JOHN
3. William
4. Rose

John Porter, baptized June 21, 1594 at Holy Cross Church, Felsted, died April 21, 1648 at Windsor, Connecticut. He married October 18, 1620, Anna, daughter of Robert and Bridget (Allgar) White. She was baptized July 13, 1600 at Shalford, County Essex, and died at Windsor in July, 1647 followed in less than a year by her husband and a daughter. (b)

John Porter came to New England in 1630, settling at Dorchester. Here a son and a daughter were born. In 1635, the arrivals (at Dorchester) having become numerous, and the settlement "somewhat crowded" a company was formed to make a settlement on the Quinnituket River. The Porter family was among this company. (c)

The Porter family included the following children: (d)

1. John, b. 1621; d. 1688; m. Mary Stanley
2. Sarah, b. 1622; d. 1696; m. Joseph Judson
3. Anna, b. 1624; d. 1654; m. William Gaylord
4. SAMUEL
5. Rebecca, b. 1628; m. John Clark
6. Mary, b. 1630; m. Samuel Grant
7. Rose, b. 1632; d. 1648
8. Joseph, b. 1634
9. James, b. 1638; m. Sarah Tudor

10. Nathaniel, b. 1640; d. 1680; m.(1) Hannah Grove;
m. (2) Elizabeth

11. Hannah, b. 1642; m. John Coleman; d. 1677, with baby,
slain by Indians

Samuel Porter, born 1626 at Felsted, died September 6, 1689 at Hadley, Massachusetts. He was a small child at the time of the family's removal to Dorchester, and later on to Hartford and Windsor. He was one of the group, who because of religious disputes, left Windsor, going in 1659 to a location across the river from Northampton, where they made a new settlement which they called Hadley. Here he was one of the early Selectmen, and was one of the first five townsment chosen to direct the "Public occasions" of that plantation. During King Philip's War, he nursed the wounded soldiers, many of them in his own home. His wife, whom he married about 1659, was Hannah, daughter of Thomas and Bennett (Tritton) Stanley. She was born about 1640 at Hartford and died at Hadley December 18, 1708. (e)

Samuel and Hannah had the following: (f)

1. SAMUEL
2. Infant, b. and d. 1662
3. Thomas, b. 1663; d. 1668
4. Hezekiah, b. 1665; m. (1) Hannah Coles; m. (2) Esther Dickinson; d. 1732
5. John, b. 1666; m. (1) Mary Butler; m. (2) Sarah Church; d. 1747
6. Hannah, b. 1670; m. John Brown
7. Mehitable, b. 1673; m. Nathaniel Goodwin; d. 1720
8. Experience, b. 1676; m. Abigail Williams; d. 1750
9. Ichabod, b. 1678; m. Dorcas Marsh
10. Nathaniel, b. 1680; m. Mehitable Buell
11. Thomas, b. 1683; m. Thankful Babcock

My records show an unnamed child born in 1683, and the marriage of Thomas as given above. As the first Thomas died as an infant, I am assuming that the Thomas who married Thankful was that unnamed child.

Hon. Samuel Porter, born in the spring of 1660, the first white male to be born in Hadley, rose to be an important member of the community. He carried messages from the parsonage, where the Regicides were hiding, to boats about to sail for England. He held many offices in the town. He traded more extensively in

furs than any other man in the country, with the sole exception of John Pyncheon of Springfield. In his will he bequeathed ten thousand pounds in money besides thousands of acres of land to the members of his family. His wife, whom he married February 22, 1683, was Joanna, daughter of Capt. Aaron and Sarah (Westwood) Cooke of Hadley, Samuel and Joanna were the parents of a large family:

1. Samuel, b. 1684; m. Ann Colton; d. 1748
2. Anna, b. 1685
3. Joanna, b. 1686 or 7; m. John Marsh
4. Clara, b. 1688
5. Aaron, b. 1689; m. Susannah Sewell; d. 1722
6. Moses, b. 1690; d. after 1709
7. Sarah, b. 1692; m. Josiah Goodrich; d. 1726
8. Mehitabel, b. 1694; d. 1739; m. Job Marsh
9. Miriam, b. 1696; d. 1703
10. Eleazer, b. 1698; m. Sarah Pitkin; d. 1757
11. Hannah, b. 1699; d. 1699
12. Nathaniel, b. 1700; d. 1700
13. Ruth, b. 1701; m. Rev. Stephen Steele
14. MARY
15. Daughter, b. and d. 1705
16. Son, b. and d. 1706

References do not entirely agree as to these children. Goodwin omits Anna and Clara, as does Judd. Porter includes them. Samuel's birth is given as 1684 and 1685. If Anna did not exist, it is probable that the latter date is correct for Samuel. (g)

Mary Porter, born November 4, 1703, at Hadley, married January 22, 1723, Rev. Solomon Williams of Lebanon, Connecticut. She died September 30, 1787 at Lebanon. (h)

References:

- a.
- b. G & H #5943 - of April 15, 1942
- c. Porter, Savage
- d. Porter
- e. Porter: "Forty Acres", p. 2 & 3
- f. Porter; Judd; Goodwin
- g. Porter; Judd; Goodwin
- h. Williams, p. 103

Robert White, of Shalford, Essex, married June 24, 1583 or 5, Bridget, daughter of William Allgar. Robert died June 17, 1617. He and Bridget had:

1. Sarah, b. about 1585; m. James Bowtell
2. Nathaniel, b. cl587
3. Mary, b. cl590; m. Joseph Loomis; d. 1652
4. Elizabeth, b. cl591; m. William Goodwin
5. Bridget, b. cl594; m. John Christmas
6. ANNA - See John Porter
7. John, b. 1601; m. Mary Levett

References: G.& H. #1836 Sept. 15, 1940
" #5943 Aug. 15, 1942

William Allgar was born about 1540 at Shalford, County Essex, and died at the same place August 2, 1575. His wife is unknown. He had:

1. William
2. Mary, bp. 1560; m. Ralfe Bette
3. BRIDGET, bp. Mar. 11, 1562; m. Robert White, as above.
4. John, bp. 1565; d. young
5. John, bp. 1567
6. Elizabeth, bp. 1583
7. Anne, m. Henry Bette

References: G.& H. #5943, August 15, 1942
" #9338, October 15, 1944

Stanley Line #1

THOMAS STANLEY m. BENNETT TRITTON

Hannah Stanley m. Samuel Porter

Mary Porter m. Rev. Solomon Williams

Thomas Stanley (Standley) and his brothers Timothy and John embarked, with their families, in the "Planter" in 1634/5. John died enroute, and as it appears that his wife had previously died, the children were left in the care of their uncles. (a)

Thomas was made a freeman in Massachusetts March 4, 1635. In 1636, he removed to Hartford, Connecticut, being among the first settlers, and ranking as an original proprietor there. He took an active part in the affairs of the town, serving as Constable for several terms. This office was then one of responsibility, combining the duties of the modern sheriff and policeman, and being charged in general to preserve the order and decorum of the place. (b)

This description is given of the removal to Hartford: "It was a morning in June, 1636, bright and early, we may safely assume, that this company was collected in Cambridge to begin its journey - men, women, and children, over 100 - with packs or bundles, most of them, borne on the back or by the hand - and near them a few wagons and carts hitched to horses or oxen, and around 160 head of cattle, swine, goats, and kids. The wagons and carts were loaded heavily, no doubt, for ample time had been given for preparation.....But they were doomed to disappointment in one respect. The journey they expected to make in 5 or 6 days occupied a full fortnight. We know now that it was through a pathless wilderness; the abode of wild beasts, and savages more wild than these. No roads, no fences, no bridges; mountains, ravines, swamps, thickets; the felling of trees, the filling up of hollows, the construction of rafts, the removal of rocks, the swimming of the cattle over streams; and the dark eternal forest, the howl of the wolf, the snarl of the bear, the cry of the panther, the hiss of the snake, the prowling of the Indians. They had no guide but their compasses, no cover but the heavens, their illuminator by day the sun; by night the flare of the campfires their only light; the gun, the sword almost constantly in their hands for game or for defense against the Indians. And so on they came, the weary riding in wagons, the sick - as was Mrs. Hooker - borne on litters, the rest trudging resolutely on foot - until they reached the

banks of that river

" - sweetest of the chain

That links the mountains to the main"
the fair, the noble, the glorious Connecticut. (c)

In 1659, Thomas Stanley was of that group which left Connecticut and settled at Hadley, Massachusetts. Born October 20, 1597, he died within a few years after reaching the new home, January 30, 1663. He had married about 1630 Bennett Tritton (Bassett says Sheppard), who was born August 1, 1609, and died about 1665. (d)

There were 4 Stanley children:

1. Nathaniel, b. c1638; m. Sarah Boosey; d. 1712
2. HANNAH
3. Mary, m. John Porter, Jr.; d. 1688
4. Sarah, m. John Wadsworth

Hannah Stanley, born about 1640, married 1659 Samuel Porter, and died at Hadley, December 18, 1708.

References:

- a. Stanley, Bassett
- b. Stanley, Savage
- c. Hartford in the Olden Times as told by Stuart
- d. Stanley, Savage, Bassett

Cooke Line

MAJOR AARON COOKE m. MARY FORD
Captain Aaron Cooke m. Sarah Westwood
Joanna Cooke m. Samuel Porter
Mary Porter m. Rev. Solomon Williams

Major Aaron Cooke, born about 1610, died at Northampton, Massachusetts, September 5, 1690. He married about 1637 his step-sister Mary Ford, daughter of Thomas and Joan (Waye) Ford. Mary was born August 18, 1612 at Bridgeport, County Dorset, and came with her father and step-mother on the "Mary and John" in 1630. Aaron, whose mother was Thomas Ford's second wife, accompanied the family. (a)

Thomas Ford was one of the company who settled at Dorchester, and who, under the leadership of Rev. Warham, removed to Windsor. In 1661 or before, he left Windsor, going to Northampton, where he died late in 1676. (b)

Aaron Cooke became a freeman May 6, 1635, and removed with others to Windsor in 1636. He gained a great reputation as a wolf hunter while in Connecticut, and was persuaded to join the founders of Northampton, to protect them from these beasts which abounded in the hills around the new settlement. (c & d)

Aaron married (2) Joanna Denslow; (3) Elizabeth Nash; and (4) Rebecca (Foote) Smith.

There were 4 children by the first, 3 by the second marriage:

1. Joanna, b. 1638
2. AARON
3. Miriam, b. 1642/3
4. Moses, b. 1645
5. Samuel, b. 1650
6. Elizabeth, b. 1653
7. Noah, b. 1657

Captain Aaron Cooke, baptized at Windsor February 21, 1640/1, died at Hadley, Massachusetts September 16, 1716. The marriage of Aaron and Sarah Westwood was the first to take place in the new town, occurring May 30, 1661. (e)

Sarah was the daughter of William and Bridget Westwood. William was born about 1606. He came from Ipswich in the "Francis" in 1634. But being a man of good estate, he had made his explora-

tions before bringing his family, which in the earliest days of the colonies was judicious; and he is thought to have been at Cambridge as early as 1632. He was made a freeman March 4, 1635. He removed, with the earliest companions of Rev. Thomas Hooker, to Hartford. Here he was an original proprietor, and was a representative at the first General Court of Hartford, Windsor and Wethersfield. He had authority as the first Constable for the colonies for Massachusetts; later he was Constable for Hartford for several terms. He removed to Hadley in 1659. He was one of the wealthiest and most prominent of the first settlers of Hartford, and took the same position in Hadley. He died at Hadley April 9, 1669. His wife of whom little is known was born about 1602, and died at Hadley May 12, 1676, aged about 74. Sarah was the only child. (f)

Aaron Cooke took a prominent place in the affairs of the town. He was the leading military man, held many offices of trust, and represented Hadley in the General Court in Boston. As a Justice of the Peace he was commonly addressed as Squire Cooke, and was entitled to write "Esq." or "J.P." after his name. His great grandson built the Colonial Mansion at Hadley, which is now called "Forty Acres." In the family archives at Forty Acres are several deeds, the earliest dated 1697, signed by Aaron Cooke, J.P. (g)

Aaron and Sarah had:

1. Sarah, b. 1662; m. Thomas Hovey
2. Aaron, b. 1663
3. JOANNA
4. Westwood, b. 1670 or 71; m. Sarah Coleman; d. 1744
5. Samuel, b. 1672; m. Ann Marsh; d. 1746
6. Moses, b. 1675; m. Mary Barnard; d. 1758
7. Elizabeth, b. 1677; m. Ichabod Smith
8. Bridget, b. 1683; m. (1) John Barnard; m. (2) Samuel

Dickinson

Joanna Cooke, born July 10, 1665, died November 13, 1713 at Hadley. She married February 22, 1683 Hon. Samuel Porter. (h)

References:

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| a. Savage, Vol. I | e. Savage, Vol. 1 |
| b. Savage, Vol. 4, P.39 | Forty Acres, P.2 |
| Forty Acres, P.1&2 | f. Savage, Vol. 4 |
| c. Savage, Vol. 1 | g. Forty Acres, P.3 |
| d. Forty Acres, P.2 & 3 | h. Porter |

Williams Line #2

ROBERT WILLIAMS m. ELIZABETH STALHAM
Isaac Williams m. Martha Parke
Rev. William Williams m. Elizabeth Cotton
Rev. Elisha Williams m. Eunice Chester
Mary Williams m. Rev. Eliphalet Williams
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Hooker
Samuel Williams m. Mary H. Kirkland
John Hooker Williams m. Elizabeth Hannah Hammer

Robert Williams - See P.6

Isaac Williams - See P.8

Rev. William Williams married (1) July 8, 1686 Elizabeth Cotton, daughter of Rev. Seaborn and Dorothy (Bradstreet) Cotton. Elizabeth was born August 13, 1665 and died May 7, 1698 at Hatfield. See P.3.

Rev. Elisha Williams was born at Hatfield, Mass., Aug. 24, 1694 and died July 25, 1755 at Wethersfield, Conn. One of the most eminent and conspicuous of the family, he graduated from Harvard College at the age of 17. After studying ministry with his father he was ordained at Newington, Wethersfield, in 1722. After his marriage, February 23, 1714 to Eunice Chester, he studied law and was for several years a member of the legislature from Wethersfield. Meanwhile in 1701, the college had been chartered which a few years later was to be known as Yale. This college was having a somewhat precarious struggle to survive. In 1725, when her troubles were at their height, Mr. Williams was made Rector, as the President was then called. Under his rectorship, Yale began to prosper; and when he resigned in 1739, he left the college firmly established. He returned to the legislature and was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court. Afterwards he was appointed Chaplain of the regiment sent by Connecticut to Cape Briton; he was later given the command of a regiment. On account of non-payment of the troops, he was solicited to go to England and he sailed in December 1749. While he was absent, his wife died, and before his return he married Elizabeth Scott, a lady of distinguished piety and accomplishments. He left England in 1751, narrowly escaping shipwreck, and finally reaching home in 1752.

Dr. Dodderidge said of him: "Colonel Williams was one of the most valuable men upon earth. He had joined to an ardent sense of religion, solid learning, consummate prudence, great candour and sweetness of temper and a certain nobleness of soul, capable of containing and acting the greatest things without seeming to be conscious of having done them."

The following inscription appears on his tombstone in the burial ground at Wethersfield:

"The Honb'le Col'l. Elisha Williams, shin'd in excelling Gifts of Nature, Learning and Grace, in Benevolence universal. Firm in Friendship, in Conversation pleasant and Instructive. In Religion Sincere, unaffected, cheerful; Truly Humble, of Conjugal and Parental Affection and Humanity, A Wise, Great, and Good Man. 5 years he was an Hon'r to the Sacred Ministry, in Newington. 13 Years Yale College flourished under his Pious, Learned & Faithful Instruction and happy Govern't; the Glory of ye college and Ornament of his country. He often filled & adorned several Civil & Military Characters. Heaven claimed what was Immortal that Glad obeyed & dross'd here the Dust to Rest till Jesus comes. Obit. 25th July, 1755, Aetates 61 mo."

There were 7 children of the first marriage:

1. Eunice, b. 1716; d. 1741
2. Elisha, b. 1718; m. Mehitable Burnham; d. 1784
3. Samuel, b. 1720; d. 1740
4. William, b. 1722; d. 1739 (or possibly 1741)
5. MARY
6. Anna, b. 1731; d. 1750
7. Child, name unknown

Mary Williams, born August 5, 1725 (Williams record says 1735, but Wethersfield records give the earlier date), married her cousin Rev. Eliphalet Williams of East Hartford Sept. 15, 1751, and died 28th June, 1776.

References:

Williams, P.101-2; 125-6
Wethersfield town records

Cotton Line

REV. JOHN COTTON m. SARAH (HAWKRIDGE) STORY
Rev. Seaborn Cotton m. Dorothy Bradstreet
Elizabeth Cotton m. Rev. William Williams
Rev. Elisha Williams m. Eunice Chester
Mary Williams m. Rev. Eliphalet Williams
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Hooker

Rev. John Cotton was born in 158⁴ or 5, the son of Rowland Cotton. He took his Master's degree at Trinity College in 1606. In 1633, he came with several of his parish, his wife, and his son, born enroute, on the "Griffin", arriving September 4th. He was said to have been the most distinguished divine that came from England in the early years; to have been the most tolerant, the ablest of the Massachusetts ministers. But in spite of a broader mind and a wider vision than the other clergy he appears not to have had the courage to take a stand, alone, against their unanimous intolerance. (a)

Rev. Cotton married (1) Elizabeth Horrocks, who died about 1631. He married April 25, 1632 at Boston, England, Sarah (Hawkridge) Story, widow of William Story, daughter of Anthony Hawkridge. Rev. Cotton died at Boston, Mass., in 1654, and his widow married (3) Rev. Richard Mather. She died at Boston, May 27, 1676. (b)

The Cotton family comprised: (c)

1. SEABORN
2. Sarah, b. 1635; d. 1650 of smallpox
3. Elizabeth, b. 1637; m. Jeremiah Egginton
4. John, b. 1640; m. Joanna Rossiter; d. 1699
5. Mary, b. 1642; m. Rev. Increase Mather
6. Rowland, b. 1643; d. 1650 of smallpox

Rev. Seaborn Cotton, born August 12, 1633 at sea, died April 19 or 20, 1686 at Hampton, N. H. He graduated from Harvard College in 1651, was made a freeman in 1655, and was ordained at Hampton in 1660. He had served as minister at Wethersfield, Conn. previously. (d)

He married June 14, 1654 Dorothy Bradstreet, daughter of Gov. Simon and Anne (Dudley) Bradstreet. She was born about 1635, and died February 26, 1672 at Hampton. He married (2) in 1673

Prudence (Wade) Crosby.

The first 10 children were of the first marriage: (e)

1. Infant, b. and d. 1655
2. Dorothy, b. 1656; m. ~~---~~ Smith
3. John, b. 1658; m. Anne Lake; d. 1710
4. Sarah, b. 1660; d. young
5. Ann, b. 1661
6. Sarah, b. 1663
7. ELIZABETH
8. Mercy, b. 1666
9. Abiah, b. 1669; d. young
10. Mary, b. 1670; m. (1) Capt. Thomas Tufts; m. (2) ~~---~~
Atwater; m. (3) Samuel Partridge
11. Rowland, b. 1674
12. Wade, b. 1676; d. young

Elizabeth Cotton, born August 13, 1665 at Hampton, N. H., died May 7, 1698 at Hatfield, Mass. She was the first wife of Rev. William Williams, pastor at Hatfield for 55 years. (f)

References:

- a. Cotton; Remembrance Book, p. ; Savage, Vol. 1
- b. Cotton
- c. Cotton
- d. Cotton; Savage, Vol. 1
- e. Cotton
- f. Williams, P. 94

Bradstreet Line

Rev. Simon Bradstreet m. Margaret

GOV. SIMON BRADSTREET m. ANNE DUDLEY

Dorothy Bradstreet m. Rev. Seaborn Cotton

Elizabeth Cotton m. Rev. William Williams

Rev. Elisha Williams m. Eunice Chester

Mary Williams m. Rev. Eliphalet Williams

Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Hooker

Simon Bradstreet, minister, was buried 26 March 1620/1. His will mentioned his wife Margaret. It is possible that said Margaret might not have been the mother of his children. (a)

1. Samuel, bp. Sept. 19, 1602
2. SIMON
3. Mercie, bp. March 9, 1605/6; died two days later
4. John, bp. February 8, 1606/7

Gov. Simon Bradstreet, bp. at Horbling, Lincolnshire March 18, 1603; died March 27, 1697 at Salem, Mass. He received his education at Emanuel, Cambridge University, taking his Bachelor's degree in 1620 and his Master's degree in 1624. He came to America in the fleet with Gov. Winthrop in 1630.

He was chosen as an assistant March 18, 1630, and so continued by annual election for 48 years. He was Deputy Governor from 1673 to 1678 and Governor from 1679 to 1686, and again, after the rising against Sir. Edmund Andros, from 1689 to 1692.(b)

He married about 1628 Anne, daughter of Gov. and Dorothy (Yorke) Dudley. She was born about 1612, and died Sept. 16, 1672. She wrote the first book of poetry published in America in 1650. Her descendants include Richard Dana and Oliver Wendell Holmes.

The Bradstreet family included 8 children:

1. Samuel, m. Mercy Tyng; d. 1682
2. DOROTHY
3. Sarah, m. (1) Richard Hubbard; m. (2) Capt. Samuel Ward
4. Simon, b. 1640; m. Lucy Woodbridge; d. 1683
5. Hannah, m. Andrew Wiggin
6. Mercy, b. 1647; m. Maj. Nathaniel Wade
7. Dudley, b. 1648; m. Ann () Price
8. John, m. Sarah Perkins

Dorothy Bradstreet, b. about 1635, died February 26, 1672 at Hampton, N. H. She married June 14, 1654 Rev. Seaborn Cotton. (c)

References:

- a. N.E.H. & G. Reg. Vol. 48, P. 169-171
- b. Savage, Vol. 1
- c. Cotton ; Americana, Vol. 21, P.304

Dudley Line

Richard Phettiplace m. Elizabeth Besilles
Anne Phettiplace m. Edward Purefoy
Mary Purefoy m. Thomas Thorne
Susanna Thorne m. Capt. Roger Dudley
GOV. THOMAS DUDLEY m. DOROTHY YORKE
Anne Dudley m. Gov. Simon Bradstreet

Thomas Dudley was born October 12, 1576 at Northamptonshire, England. He married April 25, 1603 at Hardingstone, Northamptonshire, Dorothy daughter of Edmund Yorke, who was born about 1582, as she died December 27, 1643 at the age of 61.

Thomas Dudley came to America with his family on the "Ara-bella" in 1630. He was Deputy-governor for 13 years, and Governor in 1634, 1640, 1645, and 1650. He was one of the founders of the First Church in Boston in 1630; a founder of Harvard College in 1637; in 1644 he was appointed Sergeant Major General, the highest military office in the Colony. He died at Roxbury July 31, 1653. He and his first wife, Dorothy Yorke, were the parents of the first 6 children; his 2nd wife, Catherine (Dig-bon) Hackburne, was the mother of 3.

1. Thomas
2. Samuel, b. cl608 or 10; m. (1) Mary Winthrop, daughter of Gov. John Winthrop; m. (2) Mary Byley; d. 1683
3. ANNE
4. Patience, b. cl614; m. Major General Daniel Denison; d. 1689/90
5. Sarah, b. cl620; m. (1) Maj. Benjamin Kearne; m. (2) Thomas Pacy; d. 1659
6. Mercy, b. cl621; m. Rev. John Woodbridge
7. Deborah, b. 1645; m. Jonathan Wade; d. 1683
8. Joseph, b. 1647; m. Rebecca Tyng; d. 1720
9. Paul, b. 1650; m. Mary Leverett; d. 1681

Anne Dudley, born about 1612, married about 1628 Gov. Simon Bradstreet, and died September 16, 1672 at Andover, Mass.

References: Savage
N.E.H. & G. Register, Vol. 1, p. 71; Vol. 6, P. 260
Vol. 10, P. 133; Vol. 66, P. 340
Americana, Vol. 21, P. 305; Vol. 24, P. 274

Chester Line

William Chester m.
Leonard Chester m. Bridget Sharpe
John Chester m. Dorothy Chester
LEONARD CHESTER m. MARY WADE
Capt. John Chester m. Sarah Welles
Thomas Chester m. Mary Treat
Eunice Chester m. Rev. Elisha Williams
Mary Williams m. Rev. Eliphalet Williams
Rev. Solomon Williams m. Mary Hooker
Samuel Williams m. Mary H. Kirkland
John Hooker Williams m. Elizabeth Hannah Hammer

William Chester, Bart. of London and of Chipping Barnet, County Hertford, was thought to have been the father of Leonard.

Leonard Chester of Blaby married (2) Bridget Sharpe of Frisby, Super Wreke. They had

1. JOHN
2. William
3. Sampson
4. Anne

John Chester of Blaby married Dorothy Hooker, daughter of Thomas Hooker of Leicester and sister of Rev. Thomas Hooker. They had

1. LEONARD
2. Elizabeth, b. 1624

Leonard Chester was of an important and distinguished family in England and in America as well. Born about 1610, he came to New England by 1633, for he was at Watertown at that time. In 1635 he left there for the valley of the Quinnituket River, to search for a desirable location to which the next year his uncle Rev. Thomas Hooker removed with his followers. A man of importance in the colony, he was repeatedly a member of the legislature. He became a freeman in May, 1658. He was approved by the General Court of 1657/8 as one of the first company of troops in Connecticut.

He married probably between 1631 and 1634 Mary Wade, who

survived him and married (2) Richard Russell. He died December 11, 1648 at Wethersfield, -Connecticut. His monument is the oldest existing one in the cemetery at the rear of the Congregational Church - the only cemetery within the city limits.

Leonard and Mary Chester had:

1. JOHN
2. Dorcas, b. 1637; m. Rev. Samuel Whiting; d. 1674
3. Stephen, b. 1639; d. 1705; unmarried
4. Mary, b. 1641; d. 1669; unm.
5. Prudence, b. 1643; m. Capt. Thomas Russell; d. 1678
6. Eunice, b. 1645; m. Capt. Richard Sprague; d. 1676
7. Mercy, b. 1647; d. 1669

1724181

Capt. John Chester, born August 3, 1635 at Watertown, Massachusetts, died February 23, 1698 at Wethersfield, Conn. He became a freeman in 1668, was Representative in 1676 and often afterwards, and was one of the leading men of his state. He married in February of 1653/4, Sarah, daughter of Gov. Thomas and Alice (Tomes) Welles of Wethersfield. Sarah was born in 1631/2 in England and died December 12, 1698 at Wethersfield.(c)

Capt. and Mrs. Chester had:

1. Mary, b. 1654; m. John Wolcott; d. 1689
2. John, b. 1656; m. Hannah Wolcott; d. 1711
3. Sarah, b. 1657; m. Simon Wolcott; d. 1723
4. Stephen, b. 1659; m. Jemima Treat; d. 1698
5. THOMAS
6. Samuel, b. 1664; m. Mary Treat; d. 1680 or 1689
7. Prudence, b. 1666; m. James Treat; d. 1727
8. Eunice, b. 1668; m. Rev. Timothy Stevens; d. 1698

Thomas Chester, born March 23, 1661/2, died December 5, 1712 at Wethersfield. He married December 10, 1684, Mary, daughter of Richard and Sarah (Coleman) Treat. They had: (d)

1. EUNICE
2. Samuel, b. 1696; d. 1710
3. John, b. 1699; d. 1710
4. Mary, b. 1706

Eunice Chester, born November 22, 1685, died May 31, 1750 at Wethersfield. She married February 23, 1714, Rev. Elisha Williams. (e)

References:

- a. N.E.H. & G. Register, Vol. 22, P. 339
- b. Savage, Vol. 1 ; Goodwin
- c. Goodwin
- d. Goodwin ; Treat ; N.E.H. & G. Reg. as above
- c. Williams, P. 101; P. 125-6

Welles Line

Welles

Thomas Welles m. Elizabeth --

Robert Welles m. Alice

GOV. THOMAS WELLES m. ALICE TOMES

(Sarah Welles m. Capt. John Chester

(Anne Welles m. Thomas Thompson

It is thought that the Robert Welles, who was taxed at Whichford, County Warwick in 1523, was the father of

1. THOMAS
2. Walter
3. William

Thomas Welles of Stourton, Whichford, married first Elizabeth - Thomas was buried 30 August, 1558, and Elizabeth 11 January 1552/3. They had:

1. Anne, b. not earlier than 1538
2. ROBERT

Robert Welles, under 21 years of age in 1558, possibly the Robert who was baptized 6 November, 1540, died about 1619. His wife was Alice - who was still living 5 July 1615. They had

1. Robert, m. Joan --
2. THOMAS

Thomas Welles, born about 1598, died at Wethersfield, Conn. 14 January, 1659/60. He married Alice, daughter of John and Ellen (Gunne) Tomes of Marston-Sicca, County Gloucester. He removed with his family to New England, in the "Susan and Ellen" in 1635. He went to Saybrook, Conn. but did not remain there, going on to Hartford. He was a member of the court of magistrates in March 1636/7 when war was declared against the Pequots, continuing to hold this office the rest of his life. He was a member of the court which issued the Fundamental Orders or Constitution of 1639, the original copy of which has been preserved in his handwriting. He was several times treasurer of the Colony; secretary 1640-1649; Deputy-governor for several years; later acting Governor; and Governor from 1655-1658. He removed to Wethersfield in 1646, and owned land where the Connecticut State Prison now stands.

The family of Gov. Welles included 8 children:

1. Mary, b. c.1620; m. Timothy Baldwin
2. John, b. c1621; m. Elizabeth Curtis; d. 1659
3. ANNE
4. Robert, b. c1625; d. 1659
5. Thomas, b. c1627; m. Hannah (Tuttle) Pantry; d. 1668
6. Hon. Samuel, b. 1630; m. (1) Elizabeth Hollister;
m. (2) Hannah Lamberton; d. 1675
7. SARAH
8. Joseph, b. 1637; d. prior to 1660

Sarah Welles, born 1632, came with her parents to Wethersfield, where she married in 1653/4 Capt. John Chester. See Chester.

Anne Welles, born 1623 and likewise a member of the family party in its journey to the new home, married April 14, 1646 Thomas Thompson of Farmington. After his death, which occurred April 25, 1655, she married Anthony Hawkins, of Windsor and Farmington. See Thompson and Hawkins.

References:

- Savage, Vol. 4
- Bassett, Vol. 2, P. 777-788
- G.& H. #12423, Sept. 15, 1947

Treat Line

John Trott m.
William Trott m.
Richard Trott m. Joanna -
Robert Treat m. Honora -
RICHARD TREAT m. ALICE GAYLORD

John Trott of Staplegrove near Taunton, was in the Manor Rolls of 1450, 1473, 1479.

William Trott of Staplegrove and Taunton was thought to be his son. He had:

1. William
2. RICHARD
3. Joanna, b.1542
4. Lucy
5. Alice, m. Edward Morcom
6. John, m. Joanna -; d. probably 1584

Richard Trott married Joanna, and died about 1571. They had

1. John, d. 1544, as a small child
2. John, d. cl595; m. (1) Christian; m. (2) Agnes
3. ROBERT
4. William, d. 1596; m. Johane
5. Tamsen, m. Thomas Person

Robert Trott was of Pitminster, England, where he was buried February 16, 1599. His wife Honora survived him by many years, being buried at Pitminster, September 17, 1627. They were the parents of

1. Alice, bp. 1564
2. John, bp. 1570; m. Edith Priest; d. 1633
3. Mary, bp. 1575; m. Robert Babb
4. Agnes, bp. 1577; m. John Oplin
5. Tamsen, bp. 1581
6. RICHARD

Richard Trott was baptized under this name, married under the name of Tratt; the children were baptized under the name of Trott or Tratt, and died under the name of Treat. Richard was

baptized at Pitminster August 28, 1584, married April 27, 1615, Alice Gaylord (who was baptized at Pitminster May 10, 1594) and died at Wethersfield, Conn., February 11, 1670, survived by his wife. Alice was the daughter of Hugh Gaylord.

Richard Treat emigrated about 1637. He is one of the few very early settlers of whom no trace can be found in Massachusetts. He may have been a servant or apprentice, yet he is said (by tradition) to have been a representative in the first General Court in 1637.

He was chosen as assistant from 1658-1665, but not until after the union with New Haven in 1658. He was named in the Royal Charter of April 23, 1662. He removed to Milford but probably only to establish his son Robert at that settlement, for he is counted in the list of freemen at Wethersfield in 1669. He was a man of considerable wealth and an extensive land holder.

The family included:

1. Honor, bp. 1615/6; m. John Deming; d. before 1695
2. Joanna, bp. 1618; m. Lt. John Hollister; d. 1694
3. Sarah, bp. 1620; m. Matthew Campfield
4. RICHARD
5. Robert, Gov., b. 1624/5; m. (1) Jane Tappan; m. (2) Elizabeth (Powell) Hollingworth Bryan; d. 1710
6. Elizabeth, b. 1627; m. George Wolcott; d. after 1662
7. Susanna, b. 1529; m. Lt. Robert Webster; d. 1705
8. Alice, b. 1632; d. 1633
9. James, b. 1634; m. Rebecca Latimer; d. 1709
10. Catherine, b. 1637; m. Rev. William Thompson, Jr.

Richard Treat was baptized at Pitminster January 9, 1623, and died at Wethersfield about 1693. He married about 1661 Sarah, daughter of Thomas Coleman. She was born about 1639 or 40 and died August 23, 1734, aged 92. Richard Treat was on the list of freemen of 1669, but is thought to have been, like his father, a freeman for 20 years or so at that time. He was one of three corporals of the first troop of horse in 1658. He and his wife had:

1. Richard, b. 1663; d. 1713
2. Sarah, b. 1664; m. Capt. Ephraim Goodrich; d. 1712
3. MARY
4. Thomas, b. 1668; m. Dorothy Bulkley; d. 1713

Mary Treat was born October 8, 1666 at Wethersfield, married December 10, 1684 Thomas Chester, and died January 1, 1748.

Thomas Coleman was born about 1598 at Evasham, Worcestershire, and died October 1, 1674 at Hadley, Mass. His first wife, the mother of his daughter Sarah, is unknown. His second wife was Widow Frances Welles.

Thomas Coleman emigrated about 1634/5, possibly in the "James" to Boston June 3, 1635. He was one of the earliest settlers of Wethersfield and he became one of the most prominent. He was often a juror; he was Representative to the General Court in 1650 and repeatedly afterward. Few, if any, gentlemen sustained a higher reputation in the colony. He removed to Hadley in 1661, and died there leaving a good estate to his 2 sons and 3 daughters.

1. John, b. cl635; m. (1) Hanna Porter; m. (2) Mehitable Root; m. (3) Mary (Day) Stebbins; d. 1711
2. Esther, b. cl637; m. Philip Davis
3. SARAH
4. Deborah, b. cl645; m. Daniel Gun; d. 1703
5. Noah, b. cl640; m. Mary Crow; d. 1676

Sarah Coleman, born about 1639, married Richard Treat, and died August 23, 1734.

References:

Treat 26-31; 55
Bassett Vol. 2, p.747-754
Coleman

Hooker Line

Thomas Hooker m.
REV. THOMAS HOOKER m. SUSANNAH
Rev. Samuel Hooker m. Mary Willet
Hon. John Hooker m. Abigail Standley
John Hooker m. Mercy (Mary) Hart
Rev. John Hooker m. Sarah Worthington
Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams
Samuel Williams m. Mary H. Kirkland
John Hooker Williams m. Elizabeth Hannah Hammer

It is thought probable that the great grandfather of the above Thomas Hooker was John Hooker, Mayor of the City of Exeter; that his grandfather was Robert Hooker, Mayor of the City of Exeter; that his father was John Hooker, M.P. for Devonshire. Reasons for this belief that the Hooker family of Devonshire were the forebears of our ancestor are as follows: this noted family possessed the same characteristics for which Rev. Thomas Hooker was noted, entertaining the same sociological ideas which he entertained; that around this family of Hookers we find towns, villages, and parishes bearing names which are familiar to us as names of Connecticut towns; that in Devon, we find families having names which we find in Rev. Hooker's company and among the founders of Connecticut; and that in this family of Hookers we find in general use the very names that are found in Rev. Thomas Hooker's family. (a)

It is a fact, not questioned that the father of Rev. Thomas Hooker was named Thomas. Who his wife was is not known. But it is certain that the family included these children: (b)

1. A daughter who married George Alcock, M.D. of London
2. REV. THOMAS HOOKER
3. DOROTHY HOOKER - See Chester line

Rev. Thomas Hooker, born about 1585, died at Hartford, Connecticut, July 7, 1647, aged 61. Nothing is known of his first wife, and little of his second wife, except that her given name was Susannah. It has been suggested that one of these was the sister of John Pym, who was a close friend of Rev. Hooker. Another suggestion is that Susannah's name was Garbrand, but what was the authority for this, I do not know. Thomas Hooker attended Emanuel College, Cambridge, receiving his B.A. in 1607/8, and

his M.A. in 1611, after which he entered the Divinity School. He became a "lecturer" at the church at Chelmsford; but for non-conformist teachings he was arrested and under bonds to appear before the Ecclesiastic Courts. He forfeited his bonds and fled to Holland where he remained for about 3 years. When he returned to England, it became known to Archbishop Laud, who sent out emissaries to arrest him. He avoided arrest and with his family and some friends embarked privately upon the "Griffin" and sailed for New England in 1633. (c)

He settled at Newtowne, but not being in accord with the ideas of many of the people there, he removed to Connecticut in 1636. On the journey through the wilderness, Thomas Hooker carried his gun in one hand and his Bible in the other. He preached on Sundays, and fought the Indians, when there were any to fight, on week days. He traveled by day and stood his turn on guard at night. He was a born leader. He was leading a people, whose faith in him was complete, to a land where he could found, for them and for himself, the institutions of liberty which he had learned to love as he loved his Bible and his God. In the new land he hoped to find a place where he could be a free citizen with the right and power to work out his own destiny and to found a real democracy for his devoted followers. The Legislature of Connecticut, then called the General Court, met in Hartford in May 1638 to frame a constitution which should be the basis of the new commonwealth. For the first time in the world's history, the suggestion of a written constitution, made by the people themselves, to establish a government and to limit the power and authority of their officers and magistrates was made here. The suggestion found fruition several months later in 1639 in the constitution adopted by the colony, and one hundred fifty years later, in the Constitution of the United States of America, under which our government went into operation in 1789. (d)

Rev. Hooker's second wife survived him, and though nothing is positively known about her, there are many reasons for believing that in later years she became the wife of Elder William Goodwin and died at Farmington, Conn. There were 2 children by the first wife, 4 by the second: (e)

1. Joanna, b. probably 1615-1616; m. Rev. Thomas Shepard; d. 1646
2. Mary, b. 1618; m. 1644 Rev. Roger Newton; d. 1675
3. John, b. 1626; d. at Mazeworth, Bucks, England; unm. 1684. With a reputation of being a jovial, rollicking

sporting Parson, his death suggests a weird story of the end. He was found dead in his bed, and buried privately at midnight; and this private burial seems to suggest a suicidal ending, and a secret burial to avoid the severe inflictions which the penal laws of England at that time prescribed for the bodies of suicides.

4. Sarah, b. at Little Baddow, England, 1628; d. 1629

5. Sarah, b. Little Baddow, 1629-30; m. Rev. John Wilson, Jr.; d. 1725

6. SAMUEL

Rev. Samuel Hooker, born in 1633 in England (he is listed among those who came on the "Griffin"), graduated from Harvard College in 1657, and settled by 1661 at Farmington, Conn. He was famous as an eloquent preacher, and Mather in his "Magnolia" says of him, "Thus we have to this day among us our dead Hooker, yet living in his worthy son Samuel Hooker, an able, faithful, useful minister at Farmington." In 1658 he married Mary, daughter of Thomas Willet of Plymouth. The marriage was celebrated in a highly proper manner; an account of it is handed down in the Willet family, concluding the ceremony with, "and Samuel and Mary did then brew a great bowl of punch." Rev. Samuel and Mary had among their 11 children only 2 daughters: Mary, who was considered a woman of uncommon beauty, and Sarah, who was considered the most accomplished lady that had ever come to Norwalk. Rev. Samuel Hooker died Nov. 6, 1697. Six years later, Mrs. Mary (Willet) Hooker married Rev. Thomas Buckingham whose son Stephen was husband of her daughter Sarah. She died at the home of her daughter Sarah, at Norwalk, Conn., June 24, 1712. (f)

1. Thomas, b. 1659; m. Mary (Smith) Lord; d. 1720

2. Samuel, b. 1661; m. Mehitable Hamlin; d. 1730

3. William, b. 1663; m. Susanna - ; d. 1689

4. JOHN

5. James, b. 1666; m. Mary Leete; d. 1740/1

6. Roger, b. 1668; d. 1698

7. Nathaniel, b. 1671; m. Mary Standley, who had been betrothed to Roger Hooker; d. 1711

8. Mary, b. 1673; m. Rev. James Pierpont; d. 1740

9. Hezekiah, b. 1675; d. 1686

10. Daniel, b. 1679; m. Sarah Standley; d. 1742. He was the first Farmington born man to receive a college education. He became a physican and surgeon.

11. Sarah, b. 1681; m. Rev. Stephen Buckingham; d. 1759

Hon. John Hooker was born at Farmington, Conn., February 20, 1664/5. He became one of the leading men of the town; he was the magistrate who did most of the business of the town; he was Judge of the Supreme Court of the Colony from 1724-1732; he was a member of the Lower House of the Legislature for 24 years; then he went into the Upper House; he was on important committees and was frequently sent to settle difficulties in towns, churches, etc.; he was charged with important trusts, and the papers on file in the office of the Secretary of State attest the carefulness as well as the confidence reposed in him.

A chronicler of those days left this account of Mr. Hooker: "On Sunday the bell rang for service and then commenced tolling. At the first stroke of the tolling, Mr. Hooker issued from his house and proceeded to the Meeting House, and the minister in like manner started from his house; whichever one arrived first awaited the arrival of the other, and together they entered the building. As they entered the door the bell stopped tolling, and all the congregation arose to their feet and remained standing while the two walked the aisle together. Mr. Hooker stopped at his pew door - the first pew - and waited until the minister ascended the pulpit stairs; then entering his pew, they sat down at the same time, and then the congregation seated itself. When the service was over, Mr. Hooker stepped outside his pew door; this was a signal for the congregation to arise and remain standing. At the pew door, Mr. Hooker remained until joined by the minister, when they walked down the aisle together, to the door where they took their stand, outside in good weather, and inside in bad weather. When they were in place, this was a signal to the congregation, who until that time had remained standing in their pews. The pew doors were thrown open, and the people passed out, all bowing as they passed the minister and Mr. Hooker, many speaking and a few exchanging a hand shake. When the people were all out, the minister and Mr. Hooker, bowing to each other, shook hands and then proceeded to their home." (It does not tell us where Mrs. Hooker was all this time.)

The chronicler also describes the ending of the Sunday rigidity, "The holiness of the day was supposed to end at sunset, but not a child in the town dared to stir until the signal came from Mr. Hooker that the day was ended. When the sun had sunk below the horizon, Mr. Hooker, coming to his door with his pipe in his hand, walked down the path to the gate and leaning over it rested his arms upon the top. The moment his arms touched

the gate, open flew the doors, and out came the children with a wild rush and shout - Mr. Hooker was at his gate and the Sabbath was over. The shout was taken up with a rapidity that would almost put the telegram of the present day to shame. Mr. Hooker, with his pipe, was at the gate and Sunday was ended."

Mr. Hooker married November 24, 1687, Abigail, daughter of Capt. John Standley of Farmington. He died February 21, 1745/6, and his wife died February 21, 1742/3. They were the parents of: (g)

1. Hezekiah, b. 1688; m. Abigail Curtis; d. 1756
2. Abigail, b. 1691; d. 1692
3. John, born and died 1693
4. JOHN
5. Abigail, b. 1698; m. Nathaniel Hart; d. 1761
6. Mary, b. 1700; m. Lt. Samuel Hart; d. 1780
7. Sarah, b. 1702; m. (1) Matthew Hart; m. (2) Huit Strong; d.
8. Joseph, b. 1705; m. Sarah Lewis; d. 1764
9. Ruth, b. 1708; m. (1) Capt. Asahel Strong; m. (2) Solomon Whitman; d. 1777.
10. Roger, b. 1710; m. (1) Mercy Hart; m. (2) Anna Kellogg; d. 1774

John Hooker was born at Farmington March 6, 1695. He married July 4, 1728, Mercy (Mary) Hart, daughter of Deacon Thomas Hart. (The Mercy Hart who married Roger Hooker was the daughter of Capt. Josiah Hart and a cousing of the other Mercy). John Hooker was Justice of the Peace and a prominent and active man in the business of the town. He resided at Kensington, Conn., where he died August 1, 1766. His wife died in 1782. (h)

1. JOHN
2. Seth, b. 1731; m. Sarah Burnham; d. 1758
3. Ashbel, b. 1737; m. Susannah Langdon
4. Elijah, b. 1746; m. Susannah (Judd) Seymour; d. 1823

Rev. John Hooker was born at Kensington March 19, 1729. He graduated from Yale College in 1751 and was ordained at Northampton, Mass., December 5, 1753. Here he remained until his death of smallpox February 6, 1777. He married December 10, 1755 Sarah, daughter of John and Mary (Pratt) Worthington of Springfield, Mass. She died at Northampton April 5, 1817. (i)

1. MARY

2. Sarah, b. 1758; m. Gov. Caleb Strong; d. 1817
3. Seth, b. 1759; m. Abigail Gay; d. 1844
4. John, b. 1761; m. Sarah Dwight; d. 1829
5. Lucy, b. 1764; d. 1766
6. William, b. 1766; m. Anna Thompson; m. (2) Widow
Hartland
7. Thomas, b. 1770; m. Sarah Brown; d. 1836
8. John Worthington, b. 1772; d. unm. 1804
9. Lucy, b. 1775; m. Hon. Eli Pease Ashmun; d. 1812

Mary Hooker was born September 10, 1756 at Northampton, Mass. She married April 22, 1779 Rev. Solomon Williams, who that same year took over the pastorate of the church at Northampton. Mrs. Williams died February 7, 1842 at Northampton. (j)

References:

- a. Hooker, p. x
- b. Hooker, p. xi
- c. Hooker, p. xvi-xviii
- d. Hooker, p. xxii
- e. Hooker, p. 7-12
- f. Hooker, p. 10-12; 18-24
- g. Hooker, p. 19-22; 35-39
- h. Hooker, p. 36; 56-58
- i. Hooker, p. 56- ; 120-123
- j. Hooker, p. 120

Willet Line

Thomas Willet m. Alicé
CAPT. THOMAS WILLET m. MARY BROWN
Mary Willet m. Rev. Samuel Hooker
Hon. John Hooker m. Abigail Standley
John Hooker m. Mercy Hart
Rev. John Hooker m. Sarah Worthington
Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

Thomas Willet and his family were among those who went to Holland to escape the persecutions heaped upon them in England. Little is known of him, except that he had the following children:

1. THOMAS
2. Sarah, already a widow, remarried in 1622
3. Rebecca, already married in 1622
4. Esther (Hester)

Capt. Thomas Willet was a boy of twelve in 1622, so was born about 1610; his birthplace is thought to have been Leyden, Holland, although Cutter gives it as Borley, Leicestershire, England.

Capt. Willet is said to have been an agent at a trading post on the Kennebec River from 1629-1634. Another authority says he came to N.E. in 1632. He was at Plymouth in 1636, for it was on July 6th of that year that he married Mary, daughter of John and Dorothy Brown of Plymouth and Rehoboth, Mass. Mary was born about 1616, and died January 8, 1668/9 at Swansea, Mass.

In 1648, Mr. Willet succeeded Capt. Miles Standish as commander of the famous military company of Plymouth. He was at New Amsterdam in 1650, acting as agent for Peter Stuyvesant, and he was assistant governor 1651-1664. He was in command of a company on the expedition against the Dutch along the Hudson River. As he had been reared in Holland, the Dutch of New York, when captured by the English, argued that if they must be placed under English rule, Willet would be especially acceptable to them because of his knowledge of their tastes, language, etc. He served as the first governor of New York City. He died August 3, 1674 at Swansea. A stone - a large handsome granite boulder - a gift of the City Club of New York - marks his grave.

1. MARY

2. Martha, b. 1639; m. John Saffin; d. 1678
3. John, b. 1641; d. young
4. Sarah, b. 1643; m. John Eliot; d. 1665
5. Rebecca, b. 1644; d. 1651/2
6. Thomas, born and died 1646
7. Esther, b. 1648; m. Josiah Flint; d. 1737
8. James, b. 1649; m. (1) Elizabeth Hunt; m. (2) Grace Frink
9. Hezekiah, born and died 1651
10. Hezekiah, b. 1653; m. Ann Brown; d. 1676 King Philip's War
11. David, b. 1654; died young
12. Andrew, b. 1655; m. Ann Coddington; d. 1712
13. Samuel, b. 1658; slain by Indians

Mary Willet, born November 10, 1637, married 22nd September 1658 Rev. Samuel Hooker. After his death, she married Rev. Thomas Buckingham of Saybrook, Conn. She died June 24, 1712 at Norwalk, Conn. at the home of her daughter Sarah Hooker Buckingham.

This story is told of Judge John Saffin, who married Martha Willet, sister of above Mary. Martha must have died fairly young, possibly about 1660. Judge Saffin married twice again, and he left a record written after the marriage to the third wife, that, upon the anniversary of the death of the first wife, it was his custom to seclude himself and give way to his "inconsolable grief for the irreparable loss he had sustained in the death of his beloved Martha."

John Brown, mentioned above was born about 1583, and died April 10, 1662 at Swansea, Mass. He married Dorothy --, who was born about 1583 and died January 27, 1673, aged about 90.

A shipbuilder by trade, he came to N.E. on the "Lion" in 1632. A Thomas Willet came on the same ship. Whether it was our Thomas Willet or another, I cannot say. But this agrees with the one authority who says he came in 1632.

John Brown was for 16 years assistant governor at Rehoboth, Mass. He and Dorothy had:

1. John, b. between 1614-1623; m. Lydia Buckland; d. 1662
2. MARY
3. James, b. 1632; m. Dorothy; d. 1710
4. Possibly William

Mary Brown, born about 1616, married July 6, 1636 Capt.
Thomas Willet.

Note: John Brown and his wife Lydia are found among the
ancestors of Lincoln H. Cass.

References:

N.E.H. & G. Reg. Vol. 2, P. 376; Vol. 6, P.222; Vol.4,281
History of Swansea
Genealogical Dictionary, Austin
Savage, Vol. 1 & 4
The Mayflower Planters, Hills

Standley Line #2

JOHN STANDLEY m.

Capt. John Standley m. Sarah Fletcher

Abigail Standley m. Hon. John Hooker

John Hooker m. Mercy Hart

Rev. John Hooker m. Sarah Worthington

Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

John Stan(d)ley, born 1606 or before, County Kent, England, started to New England with his brothers Thomas and Timothy, and the families of all three brothers. It is uncertain what John's family consisted of. It is certain that his first wife had died; that he had remarried; but whether this second wife was a member of the party or not, is not known. She certainly did not reach America; but whether she had died previous to the journey, or whether she died enroute as her husband did, I can find no record.

The party sailed in the spring of 1634/5, but John never reached the new land. His children were committed to the care of their uncles.

1. JOHN

2. Ruth, b. probably about 1626; m. Isaac Moore

3. Infant, who died prior to March 3, 1635/6

Capt. John Standley, born in January, 1624, was made a free-man in 1665. He was Lieutenant and Captain in King Philip's War, in active service. For many years he was representative from Farmington, serving most sessions from 1659-1676. He was Deputy from 1659 to 1696. He was a man of wealth and social position, and won distinction as an officer in the Indian wars.

He married (1) Sarah Scott. There is some discussion as to his second wife. Hooker says he married Sarah Fletcher. Bassett and Stanley say he married Sarah Stoddard. I have wondered whether she may have been a widow, Sarah (Fletcher) Stoddard; in which case all authorities could be correct.

Capt. John died December 19, 1796; his wife died May 15, 1713. All the children except the last two were of the first marriage.

1. John, b. 1647; m. Esther Newell; d. 1718 or 1729

2. Thomas, b. 1649; m. Anna Peck; d. 1713

3. Sarah, b. 1652; m. Joseph Gaylord

4. Timothy, b. 1654; m. Mary Strong; d. 1728
5. Elizabeth, b. 1657; died as a child
6. Isaac, b. 1660; d. 1732
7. ABIGAIL
8. Elizabeth, b. 1672; m. John Wadsworth; d. 1713

Abigail Standley, was born July 25, 1669 at Farmington. She married November 24, 1687 Hon. John Hooker, and died February 21, 1743.

References:

Stanley
Bassett
Hooker
Savage

Fletcher Line

JOHN FLETCHER m. MARY WARD
Sarah Fletcher m. Capt. John Standley

John Fletcher was born about 1602, and died April 18, 1662 at Milford, Conn. Savage says: "John Fletcher of Wethersfield married before 1641 Mary, daughter of Widow Joyce Ward. He removed to Milford and after living there 2 years joined the church in 1641, in which year his daughter Sarah was baptized."

As the daughters Mary and Rebecca are listed first by Savage, the marriage may have occurred as early as 1635.

John Fletcher became deacon of the church at Milford. After his death, his widow married John Clark of Milford.

1. SARAH
2. Hannah, bp. 1643; m. John Chittenden
3. Elizabeth, bp. 1645; m. Elnathan Bockford
4. Samuel, b. 1649; died young
5. Abigail, bp. 1652
6. Mary, m. -- Stevens
7. Rebecca, m. Andrew Warner

Sarah baptized in 1641, married April 20, 1663 Capt. John Standley.

References:

Savage
Hooker

Hart Line

STEPHEN HART m.

Thomas Hart m. Ruth Hawkins

Thomas Hart m. Mary Thompson

Mercy Hart m. John Hooker

Rev. John Hooker m. Sarah Worthington

Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

Stephen Hart was born about 1605 or 6 at Braintree, Essex County, England and died in March 1682/3 at Farmington, Conn.

He came to New England in 1632, being listed at Cambridge as of that date. He became a freeman May 14, 1634. He later removed to Hartford, and then on to Farmington. He was representative from Farmington much of the time from 1647 to 1660. He was one of the founders of the church in 1652 and was a deacon.

There seems to be no record of Stephen Hart's first wife. And it is not known - at least I have found nothing - whether all the children were hers, or whether the last one or two may have been the children of the second wife, Margaret () Smith Nash, widow of Arthur Smith and of Joseph Nash.

1. Sarah, b. c1630; m. Deacon Thomas Porter

2. Mary, b. c1631; m. (1) John Lee; m. (2) Jedediah Strong; d. 1710

3. John, m. Sarah; burned to death with entire family except son John, who was away from home, when the house was fired by the Indians in 1666.

4. Stephen, b. 1634; d. 1689

5. Mehitable; m. John Cowles

6. THOMAS

Thomas Hart was born in the early part of the year 1643/4 at Hartford, and died August 27, 1726 at Farmington. He filled many civil and military offices, and was said to be the wealthiest and most influential man in Farmington. He married about 1665 Ruth, daughter of Anthony Hawkins. Ruth was born at Windsor, Conn. October 24, 1649, and died at Farmington October 9, 1724.

1. Mary, b. 1666; m. Ensign Samuel Newell; d. 1752

2. Margaret, m. Asahel Strong; d. 1735

3. Lt. Hawkins, b. 1677; m. (1) Sarah Roys; m. (2) Widow Mary Elliott Street; d. 1735

4. THOMAS

5. Rev. John, b. 1682; m. (1) Rebecca Hubbard; m. (2) Sarah Bull; m. (3) Mary Hooker; d. 1732
6. Hezekiah, b. 1684; m. Martha Beckley; d. 1752
7. Capt. Josiah, b. 1686; m. (1) Sarah Bull; m. (2) Lois Goodwin; d. 1758

Deacon Thomas Hart was born April 1, 1680 at Farmington, and died January 29, 1773 at Kensington. He married December 17, 1702 Mary, daughter of John and Mary (Steele) Thompson of Farmington. Mary was born October 1, 1681/2 and died at Kensington in October, 1763.

Thomas Hart was the most influential man in Kensington. He and his wife were the parents of:

1. MARY
2. Ebenezae, b. 1705; m. Widow Elizabeth Lawrence; d. 1773
3. Elijah, b. 1706/7; died young
4. Hannah, b. 1709; m. Deacon Joseph Porter; d. 1795
5. Elijah, b. 1711; m. Abigail Goodrich; d. 1772
6. Ruth, b. 1713; m. (1) William Wadsworth; m. (2) Solomon Whitman
7. Mercy, b. 1723/4; d. 1726

Mary (Mercy) Hart was born September 29, 1703 at Kensington and died in 1782. She married July 4, 1728 John Hooker.

References:

Hart
Bassett, P. 384-409
Savage
Hooker, P. 36; 56-58

Anthony Hawkins, mentioned above, was at Windsor by 1640, and removed to Farmington before 1662. He served as representative for 17 sessions. His first wife is unknown. His second wife, the mother of the three youngest children, was Anne (Welles) Thompson of whom there will be more later. Mr. Hawkins died February 28, 1674, and his wife died in October, 1680.

1. Mary, b. 1644; m. Lt. John Judd
2. RUTH
3. John, b. 1651; 2; slain in King Philip's War, 1676

4. Sarah, bp. 1657/8; d. prior to 1678
5. Elizabeth, b. 1660; m. Paul Brimstead
6. Hannah, b. 1661/2; m. (1) Jonathan Nichols; m. (2) Samuel Ward; m. (3) John Judson; d. 1698

Ruth Hawkins was born October 24, 1649 at Windsor and died October 9, 1724 at Farmington. She married about 1665 Thomas Hart.

References:

Bassett P.414-421

G. & H. #12011

N. E. H. & G. Reg. Vol. 80, P. 279

Thompson Line

THOMAS THOMPSON m. ANNE WELLES
John Thompson m. Mary Steele
Mary Thompson m. Thomas Hart
Mary Hart m. John Hooker
Rev. John Hooker m. Sarah Worthington
Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

Thomas Thompson was born about 1617 and died at Farmington April 25, 1655. He was probably the Thomas Thompson who came as a young man of 18 years of age on the "Abigail" in 1635.

He was a representative to the General Court and one of the pillars of the Farmington Church. He left a large inventory for one so young. From his request in his will that "my wife shall educate the children" we conclude that he was a man of culture and understanding and had a brilliant future before him when death claimed him.

The daughter Esther was born posthumously.

Anne (Welles) Thompson married about July 16, 1656, Anthony Hawkins previously mentioned.

1. Beatrice, bp. 1647; m. -- Parker
2. JOHN
3. Thomas, b. 1651; m. Elizabeth Smith; d. 1705/6
4. Mary, b. 1653; m. Samuel Hawley
5. Esther, b. 1655; m. Samuel Gridley

John Thompson was born at Farmington in 1649, and died November 21, 1711. He married October 24, 1670, Mary, daughter of John Steele. There is a question as to Mary Steele. She is given as the daughter of John Steele and his wife Mercy Warner; she is also said to be the daughter of Samuel Steele (brother of John) and his wife Mary Boosey. Certainly she was the granddaughter of John Steele and his wife Rachel Talcott. John Thompson and his wife Mary had:

1. John, b. 1671; m. (1) Ruth Steele; m. (2) Margaret Orton; d. 1741
2. Thomas, b. 1674; m. Elizabeth Cowles; d. 1750
3. Samuel, b. 1676; m. Hannah Lathrop; d. 1739/40
4. Joseph, b. 1679; died young
5. James, b. 1680; nothing further known of him
6. MARY

7. Ebenezer, b. 1684; nothing further known of him
8. Nathaniel, b. 1686/7; nothing further known of him

Mary Thompson was born October 1, 1681 or 2 at Farmington and died in October, 1673 at Kensington. She married December 17, 1702, Deacon Thomas Hart.

References:

- Bassett, P. 675-744
- Steele, P. 1-8
- Savage
- Americana, Vol. 26, P. 560

Steele Line

JOHN STEELE m. RACHEL TALCOTT
John Steele m. Mercy Warner
Mary Steele m. John Thompson
Mary Thompson m. Thomas Hart
Mercy Hart m. John Hooker
Rev. John Hooker m. Sarah Worthington
Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

John Steele was born in Essex County, England, about 1591. He came to Dorchester in 1630, removing to Cambridge in 1632 or 3. He was made freeman May 14, 1634. He was appointed with others to administer the government over the grand Exodus to Connecticut. He was often a representative. He was Town Clerk at Hartford until his removal to Farmington.

He married October 10, 1622, Rachel Talcott, daughter of John and Anne (Skinner) Talcott. Rachel died October 24, 1653 at Braintree, Mass. He died at Farmington, Conn. in 1665.

1. ENS. JOHN
2. Lt. Samuel, b. 1626/7; m. Mary Boosey; d. 1685
3. Daniel, named in will of grandmother Anne (Skinner) Talcott
4. Rachel, named in will of grandmother Anne (Skinner) Talcott
5. Lydia, m. James Bird
6. Mary, m. William Judd; d. 1718
7. Hannah, d. 1655, probably unm.
8. Sarah, b. 1638; m. Lt. Thomas Judd; d. 1695

Ensign John Steele was born about 1624. He married January 22, 1645/6 Mercy, daughter of Andrew Warner. He died in 1653/4, before his father, who died in 1665. After his death, his widow married Thomas Hill.

1. Daniel, b. 1645; d. 1646
2. MARY
3. John, b. 1647; m. Ruth Judd; d. 1737
4. Henry, d. in infancy
5. Samuel, b. 1652; m. Mercy Bradford; d. 1710
6. Benoni, b. 1653; possibly d. as a child

Mary Steele was born November 25, 1646. She married October 24, 1670 John Thompson.

References:

Savage

Bassett

Steele

Note: The dates of birth and marriage of Samuel Steele and Mary Boosey - with the births of their children do not fit too well and it seems probable that the above record is correct.

Worthington Line

NICHOLAS WORTHINGTON m. SUSANNA

John Worthington m. Mary Pratt

Sarah Worthington m. Rev. John Hooker

Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

Nicholas Worthington was the first and probably the only Worthington who came early to New England. It is said he came from Liverpool. He was in Hartford and Saybrook, Conn.; then removed to Hatfield, Mass., where he took his allotment or grant of land between 1670 and 1675. He was freed from military service in 1675 by reason of weakness and infirmity. In 1679 he was chosen and sworn in as Constable of Hatfield, and in 1681 he was a Selectman.

He is said to have been a considerable land holder near Liverpool but he lost his estates when they were confiscated during the Cromwellian Wars in which he took part.

He married first Sarah (Bunce) White, and (2) about 1675 Susanna of whose earlier life nothing is known. After his death, she married Capt. Jonathan Bull and had Jonathan, December 25, 1692 at West Springfield, Mass. The first three children were of the first marriage.

1. William, b. 1670; m. Mehitable (Graves) Morton; d. 1753
2. Elizabeth, m. -- Morton
3. Mary, b. 1673/4; died young
4. Jonathan, b. 1677; m. Elizabeth Scott
5. JOHN
6. Margaret, died 1682

John Worthington was born August 17, 1679 at Hatfield, and died December 30, 1744 at Springfield, Mass. He married May 22, 1713 at Saybrook, Conn. Mary, daughter of John and Sarah (Jones) Pratt. She was born September 6, 1685 and died October 29, 1759.

1. John, b. 1714; d. 1717
2. John, b. 1719; m. (1) Hannah Hopkins; m. (2) Mary Stoddard; d. 1800
3. Timothy, b. 1722; d. 1724
4. Samuel, b. 1725; m. Sarah Warriner; d. 1760
5. Mary, b. 1727/8; d. 1731
6. SARAH

Sarah Worthington was born January 27, 1731/2 at Springfield and died at Northampton April 5, 1817. She married December 10, 1755 Rev. John Hooker.

References:

First Settlers of Conn. & Mass. - Goodwin
Springfield Town Records
History of Hatfield
Hooker

Pratt Line

Rev. William Pratt m. Elizabeth
LIEUT. WILLIAM PRATT m. ELIZABETH CLARK
John Pratt m. Sarah Jones
Mary Pratt m. John Worthington
Sarah Worthington m. Rev. John Hooker
Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

Rev. William Pratt was baptized in October, 1562, at Baldock and died in 1629 at Stevenage, Hertfordshire, England. He was inducted into the office of Rector of the Parish of Stevenage December 6, 1598. Nothing is known of his wife.

1. Sarah, bp. 1605
2. Elizabeth, bp. 1613
3. Richard, bp. 1618
4. John, bp. 1620
5. Mary, bp. 1621
6. WILLIAM

William Pratt was baptized at Stevenage in 1622. He and his brother John came to New England with Thomas Hooker's company in 1632, which makes the above dates very much out of line. It seems more than likely that they were born perhaps after Sarah, or at latest after Elizabeth, although it is to be remembered that the above dates are baptismal dates, not birth dates.

William went on to Hartford in June 1636, and was among the original proprietors. He was a member of the expedition against the Pequots in 1637. In 1645, he sold his land at Hartford and removed to Saybrook. He represented Saybrook in the General Assembly for many years. He was Deputy to the General Court May 9, 1678.

He married probably about 1640, although it has been suggested that it may have been as early as 1636, Elizabeth, daughter of John and Mary Clark of Milford, Conn. Nothing definite is known of her death. William died at Saybrook in 1676.

1. Elizabeth, b. 1642; m. Lieut. William Backus
2. JOHN
3. Joseph, b. 1648; m. Sarah Chapman; d. 1703
4. Sara, b. 1651; m. Isaac Waterhouse (Watrous)
5. William, b. 1653; m. Hannah Kirkland; d. 1718

6. Samuel, b. 1655; m. (1) Ruth Huntington; m. (2) Elizabeth Peck; d. 1705

7. Lidia, b. 1659; m. John Kirkland

8. Nathaniel, b. 1660; m. (1) Sarah Beamont;
m. (2) Sarah Willard; m. (3) Rebecca --

John Pratt was born February 20, 1644/5 at Hartford and died before August 31, 1726 when the inventory of his estate was filed. He was a large stockholder in Saybrook and in Hebron. He removed to Essex Point in 1678. He was a blacksmith and was called Sergt. John Pratt (Smith) to distinguish him from another John Pratt who was called Sergt. John Pratt (Taylor). He represented his town in the General Assembly of the state. He was a Deputy from Saybrook in 1684, 1689, and 1691.

A note from Thomas A. Stevens of Deep River (Saybrook) -- also a descendant of William and John Pratt says: "Up to the time of James Pratt's death a few years ago (he was of the tenth generation) the Pratt Smithy in Essex was the oldest continuous business in one direct family line in the United States."

John Pratt married June 8, 1669 at Guilford, Conn., Sarah, daughter of Thomas and Mary Jones of Guilford. Nothing is known of her birth or death. Her father, Thomas Jones, was born about 1618 and was one of the original settlers of Guilford, being about 21 years of age when he signed the Plantation Covenant in June 1639. His wife died December 5, 1650 and he left the colony probably soon after, returning to England (or Scotland) where he died of the smallpox. The land holdings were sold through an agent in 1668. The Guilford Public Library stands on a portion of the Jones' home lot; and a bridge over West River continues to be called Joneses Bridge to this day.

John and Sarah Pratt had:

1. John, b. 1671; m. Hannah Williams; d. 1744
2. Elizabeth, b. 1673; m. (1) Benjamin Lord; m. (2) Mr. Whittlesey
3. Thomas, b. 1675; d. 1694
4. Isaac, b. 1677; m. Mary Taylor; d. 1733
5. Sarah, b. 1680; m. Joseph Dudley
6. Lydia, b. 1682; m. Rev. Phineas Fiske
7. Mehitable, b. 1685; m. --- Hough
8. MARY

Mary Pratt was born in 1688 at Essex Point and died October 29, 1759 at Springfield, Mass. She married May 22, 1713, John Worthington of Springfield.

References:

N.E.H. & G. Reg. Vol. 46, P. 173

G & H #10422; #10240; #5255

Pratt

Guilford Town Records

History of Guilford

Town Clerk of Deep River (Saybrook)

Springfield, Mass. Records

Clark Line

JOHN CLARK m. MARY
Elizabeth Clark m. Lieut. William Pratt
John Pratt m. Sarah Jones
Mary Pratt m. John Worthington
Sarah Worthington m. Rev. John Hooker
Mary Hooker m. Rev. Solomon Williams

John Clark, born about 1614 at Great Munden, Hertfordshire, possibly, died about February 5, 1674 at Milford, Connecticut. He married (2) after 1662, Mary Ward Fletcher, widow of John Fletcher of Milford. Nothing is known of his first wife, the mother of his children.

John Clark was at Cambridge as early as 1632; at Hartford in 1636 and at Saybrook in 1647. He became a freeman soon after his arrival in New England; he fought in the Pequot War in 1637; served as a juror in Hartford in 1641. He was deputy to the General Court at Hartford almost every year from 1642 until after 1665.

1. John, b. in England; m. Rebecca Porter
2. Joseph, b. in England; lost at sea in 1663
3. ELIZABETH
4. Sarah, b. 1633 at Newtowne; m. Deacon Simon Huntington; d. 1721
5. Rebecca

Elizabeth Clark was born prior to 1632 in England. She married, probably between 1636 and 1640, Lieutenant William Pratt of Saybrook.

References:

Pratt
N.E.H. & G. Reg. Vol. 4
Savage

Hammer Line

Frederick Hammer m.

George Hammer m. Rebecca Pearson

Elizabeth Hannah Hammer m. John Hooker Williams

Little is known of Frederick Hammer. The 1880 census gives his birthplace as Maryland and that of his wife as Kentucky. Some of his children were born in Kentucky. Later he may have been in Indiana. His son George was married in Indiana, and in the same county, and, I believe in the same locality, there was a Frederick Hammer, who, I assume, was George's father. This is the last known of him, except that among the papers of Minerva (Hammer) White, were found lists of various Hammers, and it is thought that the following were Frederick's children.

1. Thomas, b. 1807 or 8; d. 1857 and bd. in North Prairie Cem.
2. Kathleen
3. GEORGE
4. Elizabeth
5. Samuel
6. Isaac
7. Lucinda
8. Andrew
9. Eli
10. Mary (Polly) Order of above not known.

George Hammer was born January 28, 1810 in Pulaski County, Kentucky and died in Princeton, Illinois March 17, 1887. He married April 4, 1833 in Lawrence County, Indiana, Rebecca Pearson, born in the state of Ohio, April 21, 1809. Nothing of her earlier life is known.

George Hammer settled in Cook County, Illinois, where the city of St. Charles now stands, reaching there with a wife, a child, and \$2.50. From there he moved in a short time to the present site of Elgin, settling in Hanover Township, Cook County. Here he raised the first log cabin and helped build the first church. He removed to Bureau County in 1849. He was a corporate member of the North Prairie Church, which was organized in 1859, and was several times supervisor from Ohio Township.

His wife Rebecca died July 28, 1858 and he married (2) in

1860 Elizabeth Butts, who died in 1869, after which he married Susan Carter.

The first 9 children were Rebecca's and the last 2 of the second marriage.

1. Minerva, b. 1834; m. Oziel White; d. 1910
2. James Wesley, b. 1835; m. Almeda Corey
3. Asbury, b. 1836; d. 1860
4. Charlotte, b. 1838; m. James Scott; d. 1882
5. George Hamilton, b. 1839; m. L. A. Chambers; d. 1869
6. Rebecca Jane, b. 1841; m. B. S. Chambers
7. ELIZABETH HANNAH, b. 1842; m. JOHN H. WILLIAMS;
d. 1888
8. Nancy Ann, b. 1844; m. Charles Jones; d. 1888
9. William Boles, b. 1848
10. Frederick, b. 1861; m. Nancy Clark
11. Hattie, b. 1866; d. 1866

Elizabeth Hannah Hammer was born December 1, 1842, in Hanover Township, Cook County, Illinois, near Elgin, and died March 8, 1888 near LaMoille, Illinois. She married October 16, 1863, John Hooker Williams, a native of Northampton, Mass.

References:

Family Bible - Hammer
Tombstones
Obituaries
Cook County History
Bureau County History - Bradsby
Voters and Taxpapers of Bureau County - Kett
Census Records

Samuel Eliphalet Williams and His Descendants

Samuel Eliphalet Williams, son of John Hooker and Hannah (Hammer) Williams, was born April 13, 1866 near LaMoille, Illinois. He graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Chicago and practiced for 50 years in Bureau County. He was at Van Orin a short time, before removing to New Bedford. Later he removed to Manlius, but continued serving the New Bedford area. On June 27, 1895, he married Emma, daughter of Rev. Samuel and Rachel (Hull) Graham. She was born at Centerville, W. Va. February 5, 1870, and died at Walnut, Illinois January 2, 1951. Dr. Williams died August 28, 1944.

1. John Graham Williams was born March 28, 1896. In 1916 he married Anne, daughter of George and Susan (Harris) Frasier of Sheffield, Illinois. Both John and Anne taught in the schools of Bureau County before removing to Montana, where John engaged in the automobile business at Great Falls.

A. Kathryn Williams, born October 28, 1917, married Captain C. M. Pifer, formerly of Peoria, Illinois. He was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant when he graduated from the University of Illinois in 1937. He entered the service in 1941 in connection with the Air Force. He is at present with the Air Force as an R.O.T.C. Instructor at Coe College at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

B. Robert Frasier Williams, born 1920, married in 1949 Shirley Davis, daughter of Thomas and Hester (Christian) Davis of Butte, Montana. Robert saw service in the Air Force. Part of his work was flying a hospital ship.

I. Robert Frasier Williams, Jr., b. 1950

2. Howard Williams (Hoppy) was born in 1898. He married in 1928 Pearl Cannady. They reside at South Pekin, Illinois. Hoppy has been with the Northwestern Railway for many years.

3. Eustace Williams was born and died in 1900.

4. Kennison Williams, born in 1901, married in 1926 Helen, daughter of Frank and Mary (Narvine) Meltzer. Helen died in 1948. Kennison is a dealer in electrical appliances at Walnut, Illinois.

A. Joan Williams, born 1926, is a graduate nurse at the Perry Memorial Hospital at Princeton, Illinois

B. Mildred Esther Williams, born in 1928, married in 1946 Merle Lubbs, son of Edward and Lorenza (Nelson) Lubbs of Walnut. Merle was in the Navy, seaman 2/c, serving in the Pacific Area Campaign.

I. Michael Lubbs, 1947

II. Mary Ellen Lubbs, 1949

III. Mark Lubbs, 1951

C. Rosemary Williams was born in 1929. She married in 1950 Marvin Carpenter of Walnut, Illinois. Marvin enlisted early in 1951.

D. Ronald Williams, 1934

E. Roger Williams, 1935

F. Carolyn Williams, 1938

G. Larry James Williams, 1940

5. Arthur Williams was born in 1904 and married in 1928 Sylvia, daughter of Charles and Antoinette (Micka) Hess of Chicago. Arthur has for many years been with the Western Electric Company of Chicago. He and Sylvia make their home in Berwyn, Illinois.

A. Diane Mabel Williams, 1939

B. Kent Charles Williams, 1941

6. Roger Williams was born in 1907 and died in 1909, after taking a fatal dose of medicine which he had mistaken for candy.

Minerva Hooker Williams and Her Descendants

Minerva Hooker Williams was born near Van Orin, Illinois, October 31, 1867 and died July 7, 1943, having lived her entire life within a mile of her birthplace. She married December 28, 1892 Lincoln Hamlin Cass, a descendant of many of the early New England settlers; among them John Brown of Plymouth and Rehoboth, Mass., whose daughter Mary married Captain Thomas Willet. (His daughter Mary married Rev. Samuel Hooker). John Brown was a Cass ancestor through his son Ensign John Brown; and Henry Samson, who came as a child of about 6 years of age to Plymouth on the Mayflower in 1620. In 1627 Henry Samson received a share of livestock as shown: "Henry Samson shared in one of the fower heyfers that came in the 'Jacob' called the Blind Heyfer and 2 shee goats." Mr. Cass was a son of John R. Cass and Mary Elizabeth Isaac, daughter of Elias and Mary McGee (Black) Isaac, pioneer settlers of Berlin Township, Bureau County, Illinois. He was born November 25, 1860 a short distance from the present site of Zearing. He was a graduate of the Northwestern University Law School but never practiced his profession. He spent his life on the farm that has been in the family since 1858. He held various offices: School Director, Supervisor, Justice of the Peace, and was for several years a member of the Board of Review. He died July 15, 1946, at the age of 85.

1. John Randolph Cass, born 1893, married February 28, 1922 Margaret, daughter of Thomas and Julia (Johnson) Scallion of Ohio. Margaret taught before her marriage. John has farmed in the Ohio area most of his life and is now on his own farm northwest of Ohio.

A. Mary Louise Cass, born in 1922, married May 19, 1945 John Kessler, son of John and Elsie (Searle) Kessler of Colorado Springs, Colorado. John was Pharmacists Mate 2/c in the Navy. He and Marilu have their home in Skokie, Illinois.

I. Frederick John Kessler, 1946

II. Jeffery Hugh Kessler, 1950

B. Elizabeth Anne Cass, born in 1929, married April 23, 1949 Ronald Anderson, son of Howard and Fay (Sisler) Anderson of Princeton. Ronald served in the Navy, as Chief Petty Officer. He is with Cities Service in

Chicago. He and Betty are in their own home in Naperville.

I. Thomas James Anderson, 1950

II. William John Anderson, 1951

C. Hugh Durward Cass was born in 1931. He enlisted in the Air Force and at this writing is thought to have reached Japan.

2. Elizabeth Carol Cass, born 1895, was for many years a teacher in the rural schools of Bureau County.

3. Allan Williams Cass, born 1897, married March 3, 1932 Marian, daughter of Floyd and Leanna (Williams) Daniels of Princeton. Allan and Marian operate the home farm which they purchased in 1948.

A. Judith Lee Cass, 1944

B. William Allan Cass, 1945

4. Myron Lincoln Cass, born 1901, married June 2, 1921 Lenice Smith, daughter of Rev. Albert and Ella (Wheaton) Smith. Lenice was born at Cassville, Wisconsin; attended Knox College; and taught for a short time before her marriage. Myron farmed for several years, with insurance as a side line. In 1940, he removed to Princeton and devoted his entire time to insurance. He served as President of the State Association of Mutual Insurance Companies in 1950 and 1951.

A. Wilma Jean Cass was born 1922. In 1942 she joined the Waves, being at the time of her discharge a Yeoman 1/c. She married March 26, 1944 James R. Hill, son of George and Amelia Hill of Normal, Illinois. Jim was one of the Marines who took part in the conquest of Tarawa. He is now employed at the Ralston-Purina Company of Bloomington. Jim and Jean have their home in Normal.

I. Lynda Jean Hill, 1946

II. Norita Rae Hill, 1948

III. Sandra Dawn Hill, 1949

B. Marjorie Carol Cass was born in 1924 and died at Illinois Research Hospital at Chicago, December 27, 1949. She married June 30, 1946 William E. Lange, son of William and Mary (Schaefer) Lange of Princeton. Bill has for several years operated his mother's farm north

of town.

I. William Cass Lange, 1947

II. Nancy Ellen Lange, 1948

C. Mary Elizabeth Cass, born in 1929, married June 12, 1949 Lewis J. Olson, son of John and Hannah (England) Olson of Zearing. Lewis saw service, chiefly in the Philippines. He operated the elevator at Zearing for several years, but is transferring to the Kasbeer elevator.

5. Cecil Lee Cass was born in 1902. In 1927 he married Katherine, daughter of Robert Treat and Nancy (Sinks) Payne of Carbondale, Illinois. A graduate of Kent Law School, Cecil practices in Chicago. He and Katie make their home in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. They have, by adoption:

A. Richard Donald Cass, 1944.

6. Leland Hooker Cass was born in 1905. He graduated from the University of Illinois School of Commerce in 1929, and has since then been with the Illinois Bell Telephone Company of Chicago, except for 3 years in the Naval Reserve. He married October 10, 1942 Elinor, daughter of Arthur and Frances (Ross) Hessler of Chicago. They reside in Golf:

A. Leland Hooker Cass, II, 1943

B. Robert Brian Cass, 1945

Hattie Pearl Williams and Her Descendants

Hattie Pearl Williams was born October 31, 1878 near LaMoille, Illinois. She married February 20, 1901, George Lorentz, born October 17, 1873, son of Michael and Barbara Lorentz of Washington County, Ohio. They farmed for a short time in Illinois, before removing to Iowa. Later they purchased a farm near Peru where they resided until Mr. Lorentz' death August 31, 1929. Mrs. Lorentz now lives in Winterset, Iowa.

1. Lyle Michael Lorentz was born December 10, 1901 near Ohio, Illinois. He married in 1928 Edna, daughter of Charles and Mary (Evans) Osborne of Winterset. In 1935 they removed to Oregon, where they operate a farm near Salem.

A. Lyle Michael Lorentz II, 1930

2. Myrtle Gertrude Lorentz was born August 1, 1905 at Hebron, Iowa. She married February 16, 1927, Alonzo Silliman, born December 4, 1898, son of Charles and Mary (Moore) Silliman of Peru. Lonnie and his sons operate a 500 acre farm near Centerville, Iowa.

A. Robert Dale Silliman, born 1927 at Broken Bow, Nebraska, married December 3, 1950, Mary Ellen Harris of Earlham, Iowa. Bob saw 18 months service in Japan. He now farms with his father near Centerville.

I. Nancy Lynn, 1951

B. Pearl Mae Silliman was born at Peru, Iowa, in 1929. She married July 30, 1950, Gene W. Newton, who is with the Meredith Publishing Company. Gene was a member of the Coast Guard in the Pacific Area.

I. Marcia Diane Newton, 1951

C. Anna Josephine Silliman, 1932

D. Lois Irene Silliman, 1933

E. Marjorie Carol Silliman, 1935

F. Phyllis Lorraine Silliman, 1937

G. Charles Roger Silliman, 1939

H. Ronald Lee Silliman, 1941

3. Mildred Elizabeth Lorentz was born February 24, 1908 in Winterset, Iowa. She married in March 1935, Gail Leland

Robinson, born July 26, 1900 at Macksburg, Iowa, the son of Bert and Mary (Havlovitz) Robinson. Mrs. Robinson was a native of Prague, Bohemia. Gail and Mildred are on a farm near Winterset.

A. Infant, born and died 1939

4. Edna Alene Lorentz was born February 26, 1916, at Winterset. She married October 8, 1933, Don Penn, born October 12, 1909 at Orapo, Oklahoma, the son of Thomas and Esther (Pratt) Penn of Madison County, Iowa. Don is a city employee, at present Street Commissioner at Winterset.

A. Philip Don Penn, 1934

B. Sharon Kay Penn, 1941

C. James Dale Penn, 1946

Fanny Gertrude Williams and Her Descendants

Fanny Gertrude Williams was born January 23, 1881, near La-Moille, Illinois. She married February 1, 1905, George McDonald, born February 2, 1872 near Ohio, Illinois, the son of Lester and Rachel (Clark) McDonald. They farmed near Ohio, until 1920, when they removed to a farm near Princeton.

1. Vivian Rachel McDonald, born December 3, 1906 at Ohio, married February 3, 1928, Lowell Devenney, born May 19, 1905 at Princeton, the son of Elmer and Alice (Hensel) Devenney. Lowell has for many years been with the Leafy Lane Dairy of Princeton.

A. Marilyn Jean Devenney, born 1929 at Princeton, married July 4, 1948, William Schoenberger, son of Robt. and Geraldine (Toler) Schoenberger of Princeton. Bill served as torpedo man in the Navy. He and Marilyn are employed at the Caterpillar Plant at Peoria.

B. Gertrude Ann Devenney was born in 1931. She is a student nurse at St. Francis Hospital at Peoria.

C. Virginia Rae Devenney, 1938

2. Gordon McDonald, born June 30, 1909 at Ohio, married October 8, 1938, Marian Horricks, born December 25, 1915 at Martinsville, Illinois, the daughter of Milton and Vera (Knight) Hanks, and the adopted daughter of Ben and Helen Horrocks of Henry, Illinois. Gordon farms with his father near Princeton. By adoption, he and Marian have:

A. James Lee McDonald, 1949

3. Stanley McDonald was born May 31, 1914 near Ohio, Illinois, married June 28, 1940, Irma, daughter of Dr. William and Josephine (Bowyer) Frymire of Monmouth, Illinois. Irma was born March 6, 1920 in the Belgian Congo, where her father was serving as medical missionary. Stanley is a graduate of Monmouth College, and served as Lieutenant in the Coast Guard.

A. William George McDonald, 1941

B. Carol Jean McDonald, 1944

C. Robert Stanley McDonald, 1946

Leanna Vivian Williams and Her Descendants

Leanna Vivian Williams was born December 14, 1884, near LaMoille, Illinois. She married February 17, 1906, Floyd Daniels, born June 2, 1884, Bureau Township, Bureau County, the son of Frank and Austa (Heaton) Daniels. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels farmed the Daniels farm for a year or so, before they removed to Elkton, S.D. Later the family went to Cole Harbor, N.D., where they remained until 1927, when they returned to Princeton. Mrs. Daniels died March 22, 1930 at Princeton. In 1950, Mr. Daniels went to Oregon, where he purchased a small place at Brooks, a short distance from Salem.

1. Donald Lee Daniels, born August 30, 1907 near Princeton, Ill., married April 4, 1931, Mildred, daughter of Alvin and Myrtle (Worley) Sankey of Winterset, Iowa. Mildred was born January 17, 1910 at Peru. Donald and Mildred have their home in Racine, where Donald is employed at the Massey-Harris Plant.

A. Donna Lee Daniels, born 1934, married September 8, 1951, Harold Holloman of West Frankfort, Illinois. Harold saw service in World War II, and reinlisted in 1949 or early 1950, going almost at once to Japan. He later was sent to Korea. He returned on rotation the first of September. He is now stationed at Tomah, Wisconsin.

B. Doris Ann Daniels, 1936

C. Thelma Jean Daniels, 1938

D. Rita Marian Daniels, 1944

E. Linda Ellen Daniels, 1946

F. Donald Roger Daniels, 1949

2. Marian Austa Daniels, born October 4, 1909 at Elkton, S. D., married her cousin, Allan W. Cass.

3. Maxine Della Daniels, born March 1, 1917 at Cole Harbor, N.D., married March 15, 1946 William B. Crane, son of Omer F. and Mae (McCarthy) Crane of Chicago. Both Bill and Max saw service, Max as a Wave Lieutenant and Bill as Lieutenant Colonel in the Army Air Force. They reside in Elmwood Park, Illinois. Bill is with the Wimpy Shops.

A. James Allan Crane, 1947

4. Doris Daniels, 1920-1920

5. Madeline Gertrude Daniels was born January 12, 1922 at Cole Harbor, N.D. She married October 31, 1944 Edward Gembala, son of Joseph and Veronica (Silver) Gembala of Loup City, Nebraska. Both Ed and Gertrude were in the Naval service, and became acquainted while they were stationed at Anacostia, Washington, D.C. Ed is engaged in farming with his father and brothers.

A. Edward David Gembala, 1945

B. Lyle Ross Gembala, 1946

C. Gary Lee Gembala, 1948

Society of Colonial Wars

The following are listed on the Honor Roll of the Society of "Sons of Colonial Wars", their male descendants being eligible to membership in the Society. I assume that the feminine descendants would be eligible to membership in the Society of "Daughters of the Colonial Wars."

Gov. Simon Bradstreet, Salem, Mass.....	1603-1697
Major John Chester, Wethersfield, Conn.....	1635-1698
John Clark, Milford, Conn.....	1614-1674
Thomas Coleman, Wethersfield, Conn.....	1600-1674
Major Aaron Cooke, Northampton, Mass.....	1610-1690
Capt. Aaron Cooke, Hadley, Mass.....	1641-1716
Emanuel Downing, Ipswich, Mass.....	1585-1658
Gov. Thomas Dudley, Roxbury, Mass.....	1576-1653
Thomas Ford, Windsor, Conn.....	-1676
Stephen Hart, Farmington, Conn.....	1605-1682
Thomas Hart, Farmington, Conn.....	1643/4-1726
Anthony Hawkins, Farmington, Conn.....	-1674
John Holgrave, Salem, Mass.....	1580-1670
William Parke, Roxbury, Mass.....	1595-1685
John Porter, Sr., Windsor, Conn.....	1590-1648
Samuel Porter, Hadley, Mass.....	1626-1689
Samuel Porter, Hadley, Mass.....	1660-1722
Lieut. William Pratt, Saybrook, Conn.....	1644-1726
Capt. John Standley, Hartford, Conn. and Farmington, Conn.....	1624-1706
Thomas Stanley, Hartford, Conn.....	-1663
John Steele, Hartford, Conn.....	-1665
Anthony Stoddard, Boston, Mass.....	-1687
Thomas Thompson, Farmington, Conn.....	1617-1655
Richard Treat, Wethersfield, Conn.....	1584-1669
Richard Treat, Wethersfield, Conn.....	1622-1693
Andrew Warner, Hartford, Conn. and Hadley, Mass.....	1610-1684
Thomas Welles, Wethersfield, Conn.....	1598-1660
William Westwood, Hartford, Conn. and Hadley, Mass.....	1607-1669
Thomas Willet, Plymouth, Mass.....	1610-1674
Elisha Williams, Wethersfield, Conn.....	1694-1755
Isaac Williams, Newton, Mass.....	1638-1707
Robert Williams, Roxbury, Mass.....	1608-1693
John Brown, Plymouth and Swansea, Mass.....	1584-1662

A Brief Summary of the Ancestors Herein Listed

I. Founders of the Colonies

A. Rev. Thomas Hooker - Connecticut

II. Colonial Governors

A. Thomas Dudley

B. Thomas Welles

C. Simon Bradstreet

III. Military Leaders

A. Capt. Thomas Willet

B. Capt. John Standley

C. Capt. Aaron Cooke

D. Capt. John Chester

E. Major Aaron Cooke

F. Lieut. William Pratt

G. Ensign John Pratt

G. Lieut. Thomas Hart

H. Col. Elisha Williams

IV. Ministers

A. Rev. John Warham - 1630-1670 -

Dorchester and Windsor..... 40 years

B. Rev. John Cotton - 1633-1654 - Boston..... 21 years

C. Rev. Thomas Hooker - 1632-1647 -

Newtowne and Hartford..... 15 years

D. Rev. Seaborn Cotton - 1655-1686 -

Wethersfield and Hampton..... 31 years

E. Rev. Solomon Stoddard - 1672-1729 - Northampton. 57 years

F. Rev. Samuel Hooker - 1657-1697 -

Plymouth and Farmington..... 40 years

G. Rev. William Williams - 1685-1741 - Hatfield... 56 years

H. Rev. Solomon Williams I - 1722-1776 - Lebanon.. 53 years

I. Rev. Elisha Williams Wethersfield..

J. Rev. Eliphalet Williams - 1748-1803 -

East Hartford..... 55 years

K. Rev. John Hooker - 1753-1777 - Northampton..... 24 years

L. Rev. Solomon Williams II - 1779-1834 -

Northampton..... 55 years

A Total of.....447 years

Possible Cotton Ancestry.

Charlemagne, "the greatest figure of the Middle Ages", 742-814, was wise, energetic, and vigilant, both as a ruler and as a commander. He fostered agriculture, trade, arts, and literature with untiring zeal. He cleared away forests, drained swamps, founded schools and monasteries, and built cities. He married as his third wife Hildegarde, daughter of a noble Suabian family.

Louis I, le Debonaire - the Gentle - (778-840) succeeded his father in 814. Three years later he yielded to the wishes of his sons and gave each of them a share in his dominions. This led to complications which he was incapable of managing and led to the dissolution of the Empire. He married, first, Ermengarde, daughter of Ingram, Count of Hasbavia. She died in 818.

Lothaire, Earl of Germany, married Ermengarde of Alsace.

Ermengarde became the wife of Gislebert.

Regnier I, Count of Hainault, died 916. His wife was Albreda.

Gislebert, Duke of Lorraine, married Gerberga.

Albreda of Lorraine, married Renaud, County de Roucy.

Ermentrude Roucy married Alberic II, County de Macon.

Beatrice Macon was the wife of Geoffrey I de Gastinois.

Geoffrey II de Gastinois married Ermengarde d'Anjou.

Fulk IV, Count d'Anjou, 1043-1109, married Bertrade de Montfort.

Fulk V, County d'Anjou, 1092-1144, married Ermengarde du Maine.

Geoffrey Plantaganet, 1113-1151, married Matilda of England. She however was not the mother of Hameline Plantaganet.

Hameline Plantaganet, natural son of Geoffrey, married

Isabel Warren, daughter of William de Warren, also a descendant of Charlemagne.

Isabella Plantaganet married Roger Bigod, Magna Charta Surety. He was appointed as one of the ambassadors who were sent to Philip of France to obtain aid in recovering the Holy Land. He was Chief Judge of the King's Court from 1195-1202. He was one of King John's followers, but later was won over to their cause by the rebel Barons and became one of the strongest advocates of the Charter of Liberty.

Margery Bigod married William de Hastings.

Henry de Hastings owned extensive lands in six counties. His wife was Ada, daughter of Henry, Earl of Huntingdon.

Henry de Hastings married Eve Cantilupe.

John, Baron Hastings, took an active part in the wars of Edward I and in 1290 was one of the competitors for the crown of Scotland as grandson of Ada of Huntingdon. His first wife was Isabel, daughter of William de Valence, Earl of Pembroke.

Sir John de Hastings married Julian Leyburne, a Surety descendant as well as a descendant of Alfred the Great.

Alice Hastings married Sir Thomas Cotton, son of Humphrey Cotton and his wife Anne, daughter of Sir Thomas Holbrook.

John Cotton of Landwade, Cambridgeshire, and Cotton Hall married Bridget, daughter of Richard Grace. John Cotton died in 1393.

Walter Cotton died May 14, 1445. His wife was Joan, daughter of Sir Robert Reade of Oxfordshire.

Walter Cotton married Blanche.

Clement Cotton married Madwen Daggett.

Clement Cotton married Constance, daughter of Nicholas Leventhorpe.

George Cotton married Margaret Whittaker. He was of the Parish of St. Giles without Cripplegate. He died after October 14, 1558, his will being dated at that time. It was proved 21 March 1559/60. She died 20 September 1557.

Rowland Cotton married 16 August 1582 Mary Hurlburt and died in 1604. He was of Derby.

Rev. John Cotton married Sarah (Hawkridge) Story, as stated elsewhere.

References:

Wurts Magna Charta, P. 167-8

205

44

Americana, Vol. 21, P. 301

446

Cotton Genealogy.

Charlemagne married Hildegarde.

Pepin, 776-810, was crowned by the Pope in 781 King of Lombardy and Italy. He married Bertha, daughter of William of Toulouse.

Bernhard, King of Lombardy, succeeded his father about 812. He was deposed by his uncle, Louis I, le Debonaire - the Gentle (?) - blinded and put to death about 818. His wife was Cunegonde.

Pepin, who was deprived of the throne of Italy by Emperor Louis, received a part of Vermandois and the Seigneuries of St. Quentin and Peronne.

Pepin de Senlis de Valois, Count Berengarius of Bretagne, was living in 893. He was the father of

Lady Poppa, puppet or little doll, who became the first wife of Rollo the Dane, first Duke of Normandy.

William Longsword, Duke of Normandy and of Aquitaine, died in 942, slain by Arnulf of Flanders, with whom he had gone - in good faith - to confer. His wife was Espriota, daughter of Hubert, Count of Senlis, and a cousin of William.

Richard the Fearless, Duke of Normandy, 933-996, married Lady Gunnora, daughter of Harald Blaatand, King of Denmark.

Richard II, the Good, Duke of Normandy, died 1026. He married Judith, daughter of Conan I, Count de Bretagne. Judith died 1018.

Robert the Magnificent, also known as Robert the Devil, Duke of Normandy, died 1035, a combination of much good and evil. By Herleve, also called Arlotta, daughter of Fulbert de Falaise, he had

William the Conqueror, born at Falaise in 1027. At his father's death, he became Duke of Normandy. He claimed the English throne not only as a son of the first cousin of Edward the Confessor, but because of a definite promise made him by the

Confessor. This promise was solemnly confirmed by Harold, the brother-in-law of the Confessor, who later declared his enforced oath was not binding. William was therefore compelled to fight for the crown. Harold and William met at Hastings on Saturday (both men claimed Saturday as the day of their birth, and thus a propitious day for battle), October 14, 1066. Toward evening, as Harold was encouraging his men, an arrow pierced his right eye. Striving to pluck it out, he unfortunately broke it off instead. Dizzy and blinded, he remained at his post, but Norman soldiers rushed upon him and in cruel manner dispatched him with their swords. With their king dead and most of their nobles slain, the Saxons took to flight under cover of darkness. William the Conqueror reigned for 21 years. At the siege of Mantes in 1087, William met his death. While destroying the city, he rode about encouraging his men, when a burning brand fell before his horse. The horse shied at it, pitching William forward upon the high pommel of the saddle inflicting mortal injuries. He died 9 September 1087. His wife was Matilda (sometimes called Maud), daughter of Baldwin V, Count of Flanders.

Gundred married William de Warren, who came from Normandy with William the Conqueror and called a near kinsman of his. Warren received large grants of land in recognition of the distinguished part he took at the Battle of Hastings, and was created Earl of Surrey by King William Rufus.

William, Earl of Warren and Surrey, married Isabel Vermandois, widow of Robert Bellomont (Beaumont), and daughter of Hugh Magnus and his wife Adelheid (daughter of Herbert IV, and descendant of Charlemagne).

William de Warren assumed the Cross in 1147 and accompanied Louis of France to the Holy Land against the Saracens. He never returned from this unfortunate enterprise, but whether he fell in battle or died in captivity has never been ascertained. He married Adela, daughter of William de Talvace.

Isabel Warren married Hameline Plantagenet, natural son of Geoffrey Plantagenet - as mentioned previously.

For continuance of this line, see P. 82.

References: Wurts Magna Charta: P.182; P.194-199; P.204-5

Alfred the Great, "the ablest king who ever sat upon the English throne", was born 849 and ruled from 871 until his death in 901. He was completely devoted to the welfare of his people. Encouraging arts and sciences, he founded Oxford University. He was equally great as a scholar, a patriot, and a legislator, and he was a thorough business man and an able warrior. He married 869 Lady Alswitha, daughter of Ethelred and Edburga of the royal house of Mercia.

Edward the Elder, a great warrior, died in 925 after a reign of 24 years. His third wife, Lady Edgina, was the mother of

Edmund I, Magnificus, born 922, the twelfth of his father's fifteen children and the first of the Boy Kings, reigned from 940-946, when he was slain by an outlaw who had taken his seat at a banquet and whom he, Edmund, was attempting to drag out by the hair. His wife was Princess Elgiva.

Edgar the Peaceful, the fourth Boy King, born 943, ascended the throne in 959, and died in 975. His title suggests that he lived on peaceful terms with his neighbors. He married Elfrida of Devon.

Ethelred, the last of the Boy Kings, was born in 968, succeeded his father at the age of 10 years, and died in 1016 after 38 years on the throne. He was entirely without the qualities which befit a king. He married in 984 Elfled, daughter of Earl Thorad.

Edmund II, Ironside, was born in 989 and succeeded his father in 1016. Overthrown, through treachery, he and Canute the Dane agreed to divide the kingdom, but the heroic Edmund died after reigning only seven months and Canute became king without a rival. Edmund died 30 November 1016. His wife, Lady Algitha, died 1014.

Edward the Exile fled the country and remained at the court of Hungary until recalled by his uncle Edward the Confessor. He was never crowned king, however, as he died immediately after his return in 1057. While on the continent he married Agatha, whose parentage is much disputed.

Margaret became the second wife of Malcolm III, King of Scotland. Malcolm was the son of Duncan who was slain by his cousin MacBeth in 1041. Malcolm was born in 1024 and became king after his victory over MacBeth, remaining so until his death. He, with a son, was slain in battle 13 November 1093 and Margaret died four days later of a broken heart.

David I, 1080-1153, was hallowed by the people but never canonized. He was King of Scotland from 1124 until his death, a wise and just king. In 1113 he married Judith, daughter of Waltheof, Earl of Northumberland.

Henry, Prince of Scotland and Earl of Huntingdon, died in 1152, before the death of his father, to the universal grief of all Scotland. His wife, whom he married in 1139, was Ada Warren, daughter of William de Warren and his wife Isabel Vermandois.

Margaret of Huntingdon married Humphrey de Bohun, Earl of Hereford and hereditary constable of England.

Henry de Bohun, the Surety, took a prominent part with the Barons against King John. As a result his lands were confiscated, but he received them again at the granting of the Magna Charta. He joined other Charta Barons in a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 1220 and died on the passage. He married Maud FitzGeoffrey, daughter of Geoffrey FitzPiers and his wife, Beatrice Says.

Humphrey de Bohun married Maud, daughter of Raoul de Lusignan, Count of Eu.

Alice Bohun married Ralph de Toni.

Alice Toni married Thomas Leyburne, a descendant of Hugh Bigod, the Surety.

Julian Leyburne married Sir John de Hastings, born about 1287 and died 1325. Julian was born about 1303 and died in 1367.

Alice Hastings married Sir Thomas Cotton.

For continuation, see page 82.

References:

Wurts Magna Charta, P. 171-177
191-192
52--53
326-327
1087-
Americana, Vol. 21, P. 446

Alfred the Great married Lady Alswitha.

Elfreda married Baldwin II, Count of Flanders, who died in 918.

Arnulph I, Count of Flanders, 873-965, married Adela of Vermandois. This is probably the same Arnulf I who slew William Longsword.

Baldwin III, Count of Flanders married Maud, daughter of Herman, Duke of Saxony.

Arnulph II, Count of Flanders, died in 988. His wife was Rosala, daughter of Berenger II, King of Italy. She died in 1003.

Baldwin IV, Count of Flanders, died in 1036. He married Otgina, daughter of Frederick, Count of Luxemburg.

Baldwin V, Count of Flanders, married Adele, daughter of Robert the Pious, King of France and his wife, Constance of Toulouse. Robert the Pious was the son of Hugh Capet, grandson of Hugh the Great and great grandson of Henry I, the Fowler

Matilda (Maud) of Flanders married William the Conqueror.

Gundred married William de Warren.

For continuation of this line, see P.85.

References:

Wurts Magna Charta, P. 1390

199

204-5

Sveide the Viking, a Norse king, A.D. 760.

Halfdan the Old died 800.

Ivar, Earl of the Uplands, married the daughter of Eystein Glumra.

Eystein, Earl of More, married Aseda of Jutland.

Rognvald, Earl of More, died 890, His wife was Hilda.

Rollo, Duke of Normandy, 846-931, married Lady Poppa, descendant of Charlemagne.

William Longsword married Espriota.

Richard the Fearless, 933-996, married Gunnore of Denmark.

Geoffrey, Count d'Eu

Gilbert, Count d'Eu, died about 1040.

Richard FitzGilbert de Clare died 1090. His wife was Rohese, daughter of Walter Giffard de Bolebec.

Gilbert de Tonebruge de Clare married Adeliza Clermont. He was born before 1066; appears to have joined in the rebellion against William Rufus and so lost his castle of Tonebruge; died soon afterwards, a munificent benefactor of the church.

Gilbert de Clare, the first Earl of Pembroke (1100-1148), married Elizabeth (Isabel) Beaumont (Bellomont), daughter of Isabel Vermandois by her first husband, Robert de Beaumont.

Richard de Clare, called "Strongbow", was a statesman of great renown. He married Eva, daughter of Dermot McMurrough, King of Leinster.

Isabel Clare, Countess of Pembroke, born in 1172, married in 1189 William Marshall the Protector, born before 1153 and died 1219. They were the parents of five sons and five daughters. The five sons, one of whom was a Surety, died without

issue, but all the daughters had issue. We find descent from three of these daughters in the ancestry of Rev. John Cotton. These are Eve, who married William Braos and was the grandmother of Eve Cantilupe; Joan, who married Warine, Lord Montchensi, and was the grandmother of Isabel Valence; and

Maud Marshall married about 1212 Hugh Bigod, the Surety, son of Roger Bigod the Surety. Hugh Bigod was born before 1195 and took part from the beginning in the Baron's Magna Charta proceedings.

Isabel Bigod married as her second husband John FitzGeoffrey, feudal lord of numerous estates and sheriff of Yorkshire, as well as Justice of Ireland in 1246. He died in 1258.

Isabel Fitzjohn FitzGeoffrey married Robert Vipount.

Idonea Vipount married Roger Leyburne.

William Leyburne was constable of the castle of Pevensey and fought in the Scottish wars, dying in 1309.

Thomas Leyburne married Alice, daughter of Ralph de Toni and his wife Alice Bohun.

For the continuation, see P. 87.

References:

Wurts Magna Charta, P. 421-423
46--47
49--50
1087.

Additional Data

BIRTHS...

Wendy Gay Halloman	Dec. 25, 1952	See P. 77
Becky Lynn Carpenter	Sept. , 1953	See P. 78

MARRIAGES...

Additional Data

DEATHS...

George H. McDonald Feb. 28. 1953 - See P. 70

References

- Williams--The Life, Ancestors and Descendants of Robert Williams
of Roxbury--Harrison Williams
- Hooker----Descendants of Rev. Thomas Hooker--Edward Hooker
- Stoddard--Anthony Stoddard of Boston and His Descendants
--Charles and Elijah Stoddard
- Porter----Descendants of John Porter of Windsor, Connecticut
- Stanley---Stanley Families in America--I. P. Warren
- Bassett---One Bassett Family in America--B. B. Bassette
- Cotton----A Short Biography of Rev. John Cotton, and A Cotton
Genealogy of His Descendants--L. C. Cooley
- Goodwin---Genealogical Notes of Some of First Settlers of Con-
necticut--Nathanial Goodwin
- Treat-----Genealogy of Trott, Tratt, and Treat in England and
America--J. H. Treat
- Coleman---Descendants of Thomas Coleman--L. Coleman
- Hart-----Deacon Stephen Hart and His Descendants--Alfred Andrews
- Steele----Genealogical History of John and George Steele and
Their Descendants--D. S. Durrie
- Pratt-----Descendants of Lieutenant William Pratt of Saybrook
--F. W. Chapman
- Savage----Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New
England--James Savage
- Forty Acres--The Story of the Bishop Huntington House--J. L.
Huntington
- History of Northampton--J. R. Trumbull
- History of Hadley--Sylvester Judd and L. M. Boltwood
- N.E.H. & G. Reg.--New England Historic and Genealogical Register
- G. & H---Genealogy and History
- History of Swansea--O. O. Wright
- History of Guilford--R. D. Smith

Thompson-Steele

Further research indicated that Mary Steele, who m. Oct. 24, 1670, John Thompson, at Farmington, was the daughter of Samuel & Mary (Boosey) Steele. Samuel Steele, b. ca 1626, d. Aug. 15, 1685, aged 59, at Wethersfield, Conn. He m. ca 1651 Mary Boosey, daughter of Hon. James Boosey, b. Sept. 10, 1635; d. Mar. 16, 1703/4 (poss. 1702). Children, b. at Farmington, Conn. were;

Mary	b. Dec. 5, 1652; d.	; m. Oct. 24, 1670, John Thompson
Rachel	Oct. 30, 1654; d.	; m. Jonathan Smith
Sarah	Dec. 29, 1656; d. Jan. 23, 1732/3	; m. Feb. 8, 1682/3, Samuel Boardman
Samuel	Mar. 20, 1658; d. d. y. prob.	; -
John	Bp. Dec. 10, 1661; d. d. y. prob.	; -
James	Aug. 31, 1662; d. May 15, 1713	; m. July 19, 1687, Ann Welles
Hannah	Aug. , 1668; d. early 1738	; m. -Treat; John Hart
Ebenezer	Apr. 30, 1671; d. Oct. 6, 1722	; m. Feb. 15, 1704/5, Sarah Hart

other sons In his will, Samuel names only sons James and Ebenezer, indicating that they had died preciously, and without heirs. The only daughter mentioned by name is Hannah, as yet unmarried, Otherwiss he gives to "my daughters, which are four".

John Thompson and Mary Steele were therfore 21 and 18 years of age respectively at the time of their marriage.

Boosey

Hon. James Boose y was b. in the neighborhood of Colchester, Co. Essex, date unknown. He d. at Wethersfield, Conn. June 22, 1649; his will was dated the day previous and gave a good portion to each of his 5 children. He married Alice, of whom I find nothing. She m. (2) Oct. 5, 1652 James Wakely of Hartford, and d. Aug. 30, 1683 at Wethersfield, aged ca 73. Children of James and Alice Boosey, b. at Wethersfield, unless the first, are as follows;

Joseph	; d. July 24, 1655; m.	Esther -
Mary	Sept. 10, 1635; d.	cal 1651, Samuel Steele
Hanna h	Feb. 10, 1642; d. after 1694; m.	cal 1658, John Pratt
Sarah	Nov. 12, 1643; d. Aug. 18, 1716; m.	June 2, 1659, Nathaniel Stanley
James	Feb. 1, 1646; d. y. -under age; -	

32 John Kirtland

64 Nathaniel Kirtland

All dates according to present system.

D.A.R. CHART

THIS IS THE LINEAGE OF

1ST GEN * Elizabeth Carol Cass
ADDRESS Ohio
Illinois

See P. 11
"John Hooker Williams
His Ancestors &
Descendants"

4 Daniel Kirkland
GF
B ca 1745, Norwich, Ct.
D
M 12-10-1772, Norwich, Mass
W

Probably the Daniel who m.
June 23, 1770, Abigail Knight
who d. Dec. 15, 1771

2 Daniel Kirkland
FATHER
B 11- 8-1773, Norwich, Mass
D
M
W

Birth & Baptismal
records show her as Theda
or Theoda

5 Theodosie Mixer
GM
B 6- 9-1752, Suffield, Ct
D 9-30-1796, Norwich, Mass
age 44

Parentage of Isaac Mixer-10
may be erroneous, but I find
no record of any other Isaac
of the right age; and similarity
of names of children of Benjamin
and Isaac points toward accuracy
of line.

Mary Hyde Kirkland
m. 11-13-1832
Samuel Williams
See P. 11

3 Betsy Williams
MOTHER
B
D

KEY
B= BORN
D= DIED
M= MARRIED
W= WHERE
REF= REFERENCE

7 GM.
B
D

8 Daniel Kirkland
GGF
B 10- 1-1725, Norwich
D 8- 2-1764, "
M cal 1745, "
W

9 Lydia Perkins
GGM
B 12-19-1729, Norwoch
D 4- 8-1748, "
W

10 Isaac Mixer
GGF
B 11-26-1716, Marlbor
D
M 11-25-1743, Suffiel
W

11 Thankful Touseley
GGM
B 12-26-1723, Suffield
D 8-14-1759, "
W

12 GGF
B
D
M
W

13 GGM
B
D

14 GGF
B
D
M
W

15 GGM
B
D

16 Rev. Daniel Kirtland
B 6-17-1701, Saybrook
D 5-17-1773, Norwich, Ct.
W 7-15-1723, "
17 Mary Perkins
B 1- 3-1705/6, Norwich
D 10- 1-1769, "
W

18 Joseph Perkins-Dr.
B 10-25-1704, Norwich, Ct
D 7- 7-1794, "
W 7-19-1728, "
19 Lydia Pierce
B 3-10-1705, Plainfield
D 1- 7-1730, Norwich,
W

20 Benjamin Mixer
B 5-23-1679, Watertown
D 1728, Marlboro
W 11-27-1711, "
21 Rebecca Newton
B 12-23-1685, Concord
D

22 John Touseley
B 9-17-1694, Suffield
D 7- 3-1719, "
W

23 Thankful () Bronson
B 6-19-1685, Windsor
D 2-11-1735/6, Suffield
W

24 B
D
M
W

25 B
D

26 B
D
M
W

27 B
D

28 B
D
M
W

29 B
D

30 B
D
M
W

31 B
D

32	John Kirtland	64	Nathaniel Kirtland
33	Lidia Pratt	65	Parnell -
34	Jabez Perkins	66	Lt. William Pratt
35	Hannah Lothrop	67	Elizabeth Clark
36	Joseph Perkins	68	Jacob Perkins
37	Martha Morgan	69	Elizabeth Whipple ?
38	Timothy Pierce	70	Samuel Lothrop
39	Lydia Spalding	71	Hannah Adgate
40	Isaac Mixer	72	Jacob Perkins
41	Rebecca Garfield	73	Elizabeth Whipple ?
42	Isaac Newton	74	Joseph Morgan
43	Rebecca -	75	Dorothy Parke
44	Michael Touseley	76	Thomas Pierce
45	Mary Hussey	77	Eliza
46	Samuel Dibble	78	Joseph Spalding
47	Hepzibah Bartlett	79	Mercy Jewell
48		80	Isaac Mixer
49		81	Sarah -
50		82	Edward Garfield
51		83	Rebecca -
52		84	Richard Newton
53		85	Anne Loker
54		86	
55		87	
56		88	
57		89	
58		90	
59		91	
60		92	Thomas Dibble
61		93	
62		94	John Bartlett
63		95	
		96	
		97	
		98	
		99	
		100	
		101	
		102	
		103	
		104	
		105	
		106	
		107	
		108	
		109	
		110	
		111	
		112	
		113	
		114	
		115	
		116	
		117	
		118	
		119	
		120	
		121	
		122	
		123	
		124	
		125	
		126	
		127	

ADD FURTHER NOTES
AND REFERENCES ON
REVERSE SIDE BY NUMBER

4903

